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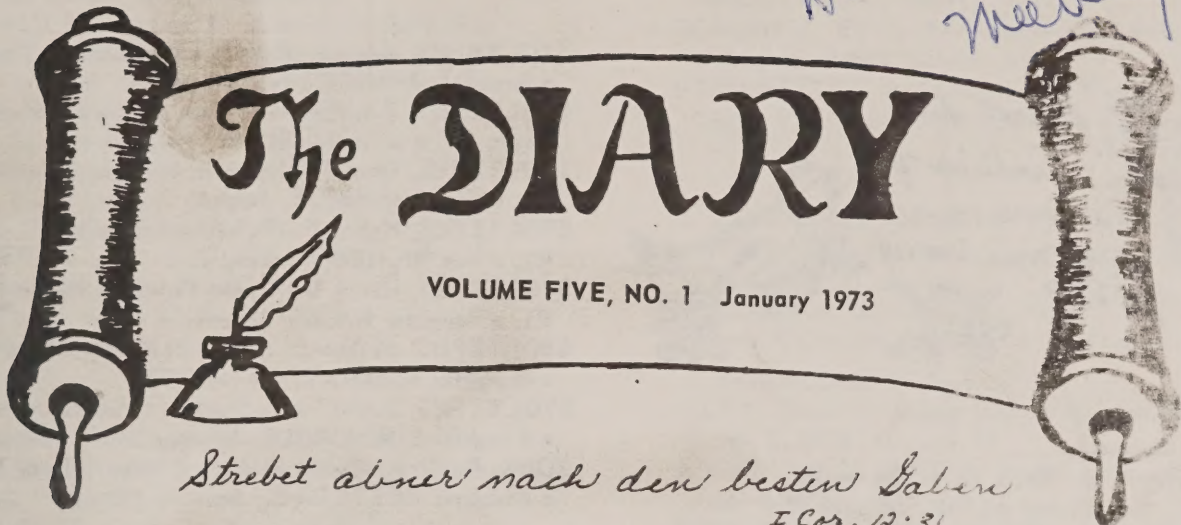








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## OF THE OLD ORDER AMISH CHURCH OF AMERICA

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### LANC. CO., PA. YOUTH KILLED IN BUGGY-CAR ACCIDENT

John B. Lapp, 20, of Quarryville R1, was killed instantly when he was thrown from his horse-drawn buggy following a collision on Rt. 272 about 3 miles south of Willow Street at 11:45 p.m. Sunday, January 7, on his way home from a singing held at Henry F. Fishers, near Willow Street. Death was due to head injuries. The buggy was equipped with blinking red flasher lights. (See obituary)

### HOLMES CO. ACCIDENT

John M. Troyers were all loaded to go to church Sunday, January 14, a few children in the back of the buggy. When they started off John saw that one line wasn't fastened, he jumped off, but the horse turned the other way, upset the buggy, then stopped. Mrs. Ada (Coblentz) broke her arm and one of the children had a cut that required some stitches.

### PA. MAN INJURED WHILE FELLING TREES

Henry K. King, 72, of Lebanon R1, Pa. received injuries on December 28th while helping to saw down trees along the mountain southeast of Schaeffers-town. No one was with him at the time, but a falling tree must have hit him. He had bruises across the left shoulder and chest. Was in the I.C.U. for three days and had a total stay of two weeks in the hospital. At the present time he seems to be improving from day to day.

### ALLEN CO., IND. ACCIDENT

Sam Schwartz, of New Haven R1, had the misfortune of getting his ankle broken while feeding the hogs. The hogs crowded him causing him to fall, and was fast for a few minutes. He got up and managed to walk into the house somehow. His leg is in a cast above the knee. Had quite a lot of pain for a while.

### MIFFLIN CO. MAN KILLED IN FARM ACCIDENT

David C. Swarey, 54, Belleville, Pa. was killed instantly, Tuesday afternoon, January 30. He was alone at the time of the accident so no one saw exactly what happened. He had intended to get a baler from the shed to take somewhere to have it repaired. David had only one hand, a hook on the other arm. It is believed the horses in some way got scared and ran off, the baler going over David. Other members of the family heard the commotion. Son David was the first on the scene. (See obituary)

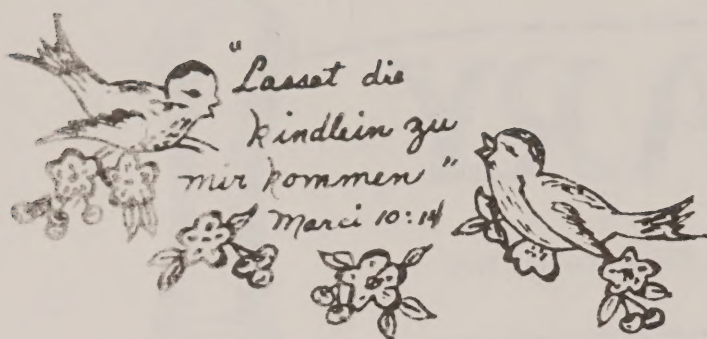
### INJURIES FATAL TO INDIANA SISTERS

Two young girls are dead as the result of a buggy accident about 7 p.m. Saturday, January 6, at the intersection of C. R. 700-W and C. R. 700. Wilma N. Miller, 18, of Topeka R2, Ind., was pronounced dead at the scene. Her sister, Kathryn N. Miller, 17, of the same address, died at 2 p.m. Monday of injuries she sustained in the accident. The girls were northbound on C.R. 700-W, when they drove through the intersection, apparently without stopping. The buggy was struck at the intersection by a car driven by Mrs. Ellenora Troyer, 70, of Topeka. The horse was killed in the accident. Wilma apparently died of a severe skull fracture. Kathryn died of severe back, head, and internal injuries. (See obituary)

### 15-YEAR-OLD YOUTH HAS BROKEN NECK

Leon, son of Jacob E. and Mary Chupp, of Millersburg R4, Ohio, received a broken neck when a grain elevator fell on his head, pinching his neck between the elevator and frame, January 16. He was rushed to the Millersburg Hospital and then on to the Aultman Hospital at Canton, where he was in intensive care until Jan. 30. His condition is reported improving, but will take quite some time for full recovery.





## BIRTHS

## Dover, Delaware

MILLER, Neal Ray (Katie Byler) Dover R2  
 twin sons ALLEN and ALVIN, January 18  
 TROYER, Samuel S. (Elizabeth Mast) Wyoming R1  
 a son SAMUEL, January 22

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Elam S. (Fannie King) Gap R2  
 a daughter REBECCA K., January 10  
 BEILER, Gideon S. (Mary K. Stoltzfus) 115 Horseshoe Rd., Leola, a son REUBEN S., January 30  
 ESH, John E. (Mary Petersheim) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter LYDIA E., January 12  
 ESH, John S. (Sadie Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3  
 a son ELMER, January 6  
 ESH, Joseph B. (Barbara Stoltzfus) Christiana R1  
 a son ELI S., January 28  
 ESH, Levi (Fannie King) Kinzers R1  
 a daughter ANNIE K., January 24  
 FISHER, Ammon F. (Rebecca Glick) Ronks R1  
 a son AMMON, January 20  
 FISHER, Samuel (Lizzie Kauffman) Ronks R1  
 a son JACOB, January 1  
 GLICK, Henry M. (Salome E. Fisher) Penwick Rd.  
 Lancaster, a daughter MARY E., January 2  
 GLICK, Omar (Barbara Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
 a daughter LINDA, January 12  
 KING, Abner S. (Katie Smucker) Gordonville R1  
 a son DAVID Y., January 16  
 KING, David K. (Anna Lapp) Lititz R3  
 a son AMOS L., January 3  
 KING, Isaac F. (Anna Lapp) Oxford R1  
 a son ELAM L., January 8  
 KING, Jacob G. (Lydia Beiler) Christiana R1  
 a daughter NAOMI, January 3  
 LANTZ, David K. (Leah K. Stoltzfus) Leola R1  
 a daughter REBECCA S., January 29  
 LANTZ, David S. (Sarah S. Stoltzfus) 1350 Hunsicker Rd., Lancaster, a son BENJAMIN S., January 1  
 LANTZ, Jacob (Katie King) Honey Brook R1  
 a daughter BETHANY, January 11  
 LAPP, Michael S. (Fannie Fisher) Gordonville R1  
 a son MICHAEL S. JR., January 13  
 LAPP, Moses (Katie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter EMMA, January 12  
 RIEHL, Amos S. (Annie Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1  
 a daughter, January 4  
 STOLTZFUS, Amos E. (Mattie Beiler) Ronks R1  
 a daughter ELSIE, January 16

STOLTZFUS, Andrew (Ruth Diener) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter ANNA K., January 15  
 STOLTZFUS, Aquilla (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) Hess Rd.  
 Leola R1, a daughter RUTH ANN, January 3  
 STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a daughter MAMIE, January 2  
 STOLTZFUS, Henry F. (Rebecca L. Stoltzfus) Lititz R2, a son WILMER, January 22  
 STOLTZFUS, Henry L. (Lydia Petersheim) Gordonville R1, a daughter NAOMI, January 7  
 STOLTZFUS, Joshua L. (Emma Stoltzfoos) Quarryville a daughter ARIANA S., January 27  
 STOLTZFUS, Stevie (Arie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a daughter LINDA ROSE, January 27  
 ZOOK, David R. (Sadie Stoltzfus) New Holland R1 a daughter REBECCA S., January 10

## Bradford County, Pennsylvania

NISSLEY, Ervin (Anna Yoder) Le Raysville  
 a son HARVEY, January 7  
 YODER, Milo (Anna Mast) Le Raysville  
 a son MILO JR., January 13

## Franklin County, Pennsylvania

PETERSHEIM, John (Lydia Stoltzfus) Newburg R1  
 a daughter REBECCA, January 28

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Adam J. (Mary Kanagy) Mifflintown R2  
 a daughter SALLY, January 16  
 WEAVER, John A. (Anna Troyer) McAlisterville R1  
 a daughter NAOMI, January 22

## Snyder County, Pennsylvania

SCHWARTZ, Moses T. (Mary D. Troyer)  
 a daughter ESTHER, January 27

## Centre County, Pennsylvania

LANTZ, Leroy (Mamie Kauffman)  
 a son MICHAEL, January 5

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Abraham (Emma Kanagy) Belleville  
 a son LOUIE, January 10  
 KANAGY, the late Aquilla (Annie Peachey) Belleville  
 a daughter SALINA, January 10

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## Conewango Valley, New York

DEWEILER, Bennie B. (Anna Mary Shetler)  
a daughter MARTHA, January 24  
HOSTETLER, Ben L. (Katie Hersberger)  
a daughter LYDIANN, January 8  
MILLER, Isaac L. (Mary Miller)  
a son, January 28  
MILLER, Roman M. (Amanda L. Shetler)  
a son IVAN, January 21  
RABER, Andy N. (Jemima Detweiler)  
a son BEN, December 31, 1972  
SHETLER, Andy L. (Ivy Miller)  
a daughter ELLA, January 2

## Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

COBLENTZ, Andy J. (Sarah J. Miller) Holmesville R1  
a son VERNON, January 12  
COBLENTZ, Clyde J. (Clara Schrock)  
a son, January 3; died same day  
COBLENTZ, Eli R. (Mary O. Yoder) Millersburg R5  
a son DUANE, January 2  
MAST, Isaac (Katie Miller) Millersburg Star Route  
a son JOSEPH, January 6  
MAST, Ivan E. (Mary J. Hersberger) Charm  
a son WAYNE,  
MILLER, Abe W. (Clara H. Miller) Millersburg R4  
a son JACOB, January 13  
MILLER, Crist M. (Esther A. Miller) Millersburg  
a daughter ARLENE MAE, December 30, 1972  
MILLER, Dan M. (Bertha Schlabach)  
a daughter SUSAN, December 26, 1972  
MILLER, Eli J. (Anna Bowman) Fredericksburg R1  
a son DAVID, January 26  
MILLER, Eli N. (Anna Raber)  
a son WAYNE, January 15  
MILLER, Eli R. (Soloma Miller)  
a daughter EFFIE, January 24  
MILLER, Jonas W. (Mary L. Schlabach) Millersburg R5  
a son JOHN, December 26, 1972  
MILLER, Raymond J. (Verna Byler) Holmesville R1  
a son RAYMOND JR., January 17  
MILLER, Roman H. (Mary Miller)  
a daughter LYDIANN, January 6  
RABER, Eli J. (Katie Miller)  
a daughter ADA, January 24  
RABER, Melvin H. (Mary A. Miller) Millersburg R4  
a daughter RHODA, January 24  
SCHLABACH, Ervin J. (Ida Miller)  
a daughter  
SCHLABACH, Joe J. (Irene Hochstetler)  
a daughter SARAH, January 2  
STUTZMAN, Ura A. (Verba Schlabach) Millersburg  
a daughter LISS, November 14, 1972  
WEAVER, Aaron A. (Anna Hochstetler)  
a son ALLEN, January 7  
WENGERD, Atlee V. (Mary Miller)  
a daughter SOLOMA, January 15  
YODER, Amos R. (Ida Smucker)  
a daughter BETTY, January 22  
YODER, Jonas N. (Ella Yoder) Millersburg R5  
a daughter ESTHER, January 4

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

COBLENTZ, Eli D. (Katie Detweiler) Mercer R4  
a daughter EMMA, January 27  
HERSHBERGER, Andy (Sally Ann Yoder) Jackson  
Center R2, a son DANIEL, January 26

## Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Reuben (Verna Graber) Grabill R1  
a son MARVIN, January 3  
LENGACHER, Joseph (Kathleen Schmuckler) New  
Haven R1, a son JOSEPH JAY, January 2

## Adams County, Indiana

MILTY, Elmer A. (Lydia Graber) Monroe R1  
a son ELMER, January 13  
SCHMIDT, Mose (Christine Wickey) Monroe R1  
a son SIMON, January 2  
SCHWARTZ, Elmer L. (Ida Yoder) Monroe R1  
a daughter LYDIA, January 30  
SCHWARTZ, Harvey O. (Mary Chupel) Geneva R1  
a son PHILLIP, January 27  
SCHWARTZ, John I. (Susie Schmauck) Geneva R2  
a son WILLIAM, January 1  
SCHWARTZ, William G. (Elizabeth G. Schwartz)  
Geneva R1, a daughter KATIE, January 18

## LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Ammon I. (Clara Lehman) LaGrange R4  
a daughter SARAH, December 29, 1972  
BONTRAGER, Ernest (Elmora Kurtz) Topeka R2  
a daughter MARY E., December 23  
BONTRAGER, Joni (Frieda Bontrager) Shipshewana R1  
a son LARRY J., January 16  
EICHER, Amos (Edna Eicher) LaGrange R.R.  
a daughter LORETTA JEAN, December 30  
HELMUTH, Johnny J. (Susie Miller) Millersburg R1  
a son GARY WAYNE, January 4  
HOCHSTEDLER (Mary Hochstetler) LaGrange R4  
a son CORNEAL, January 1  
HOSTETLER, Vernon (Elizabeth Fry) Topeka R1  
a son MARLIN JAY, January 11  
MILLER, Elmer C. (Ida Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a son ELMER JUNIOR, January 9  
MILLER, Lavern (Polly Anna Lehman) Middlebury R1  
a son LLOYD RAY, January 12  
MILLER, Mervin E. (Ida L. Fry) Topeka  
a son MERLIN M., January 12  
MILLER, Orley (Mary Wingard) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter NORA O., January 14  
MULLET, Enos (Mary Hochstetler) LaGrange R1  
a daughter RUBY ELLEN, January 5  
RIEHL, Elam (Lydia Fry) Shipshewana R1  
a son CHRISTIAN E., January 6  
WHETSTONE, Orva (Emma Mae Miller) Topeka R1  
a son KENNETH O., December 30, 1972  
WINGARD, David J. (Susie Weaver) LaGrange R4  
a son MOSE D., December 27, 1972  
YODER, Danie (Mary Lehman) Middlebury R1  
a son RAYMOND D., December 31  
YODER, Floyd (Anna Fay Graber) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter RUTH F., January 17



## BIRTHS, Continued

Geauga County, Ohio

MILLER, Chester H. (Clara Miller) Middlefield R1  
a daughter LEONA,

Guthrie, Kentucky

PEACHEY, Jesse D. (Mary Hostetler) Guthrie  
a son MARK DAVID, January 19

Arthur, Illinois

GINGERICH, Ben (Sovilla E. Yoder)  
a daughter ROSE MARYKAUFMAN, Ben (Paulene Otto)  
a daughter WILMA ANN, January 21MILLER, Amzy (Mary Yoder)  
a daughter KAROL, January 13YODER, Lester (Fannie Marie Miller)  
a son JOSEPH, January 5

Buchanan County, Iowa

KURTZ, Harvey (Clara Miller) Hazleton  
a son RAYMOND, January 16RABER, Eli (Mary Helmut) Hazleton  
a daughter ELIZABETH, December 26, 1972STUTZMAN, Jerry E. (Emma Hershberger)  
Independence, a son JERRY JR., January 3

Johnson County, Iowa

SHETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Jake  
a son ANDY RAY,

Jamesport, Missouri

BONTRAGER, Samuel L. (Katie Kauffman)  
a daughter MARY MAGDALENA, January 7DETWEILER, Toby T. (Amanda Troyer)  
a son DAVID, January 7

Pike County, Missouri

EICHER, Henry W. (Rosemary Kemp) Curryville R1  
a son WILMER, January 5LEE, Eli A. (Susanna Bontrager) Curryville R1  
a daughter SUSIE, January 17

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada

WAGLER, Simon (Susie Eicher)  
a son JONAS, January 31

## AMISH CHURCH AID MEETING

The Amish Church Aid meeting was held on Jan. 20, 1973 at the Leroy Esh home, Gordonville R1, Pa.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christ Speicher, by asking for a short silent prayer. The treasurer reported there were 103 families helped with their hospital bills during the last year. There are 1450 members in the program, which is an increase of 80 members, from 36 districts. We had an interesting meeting and had various discussions. Christ Speicher was re-elected chairman for two years.

Next meeting to be at David L. Kings, Ronks R1, on January 19, 1974. Eli P. Miller

## OBITUARIES

FARMWALD, Samuel D., 74, of Shipshewana R2, Ind. died Tuesday, January 9, at 9 p.m. in Sarasota, Florida, where he and his wife had gone for the winter. He was born in Madison County, Ohio, September 18, 1898, and had resided most of his life in the Shipshewana area. He was married in 1927, to Anna Miller, who survives. Also a son, Harvey of Shipshewana; three daughters, Mrs. Andrew (Alta) Raber and Mrs. Amos (Susie) Raber, both of Shipshewana, and Mrs. Rudy (Ada) Schwartz of Vicksburg, Mich.; a sister, Mrs. Abe (Sarah) Beachy of Sugarcreek, Ohio; a brother, Jacob of Smicksburg, Pa.; 20 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in Florida Jan. 10 by Vane Yoder and Bishop Menno Swartzentruber, and in Indiana Jan. 13 at the Ray Whetstone residence by Bishop Perry Bontrager; burial was in the Maylor Cemetery.

FISHER, Mrs. Malinda K., 78, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died at 6 p.m. Wednesday, January 31, at the Lancaster General Hospital where she had been admitted at noontime. She was the widow of Henry L. Fisher who died in 1939. Born in Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of the late Jacob Z. and Sarah (Kurtz) Beiler. She is survived by five daughters and one son, Mrs. Sadie B. Miller and Miss Anna M. Fisher, both of Leola; Esther B., wife of Abraham S. King, Gordonville R1; Susie M., wife of John King, Lancaster, and Ruth B., wife of Jacob S. King, Gap R1, and Aquilla B. Fisher, Paradise R1; 25 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five step-grandchildren, and eight step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Abraham S. King residence by Daniel E. Stoltzfus and Stephen F. Esh; burial was in Myers Cemetery.

FISHER, Samuel S., 60, Ronks R1, Penna.

died Thursday, February 1, at Lancaster General Hospital after a lengthy illness of Arthritis. Born in East Lampeter Twp., he was a son of the late Henry K. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher, and was the husband of Elizabeth S. (Stoltzfus) Fisher. In addition to his widow, he is survived by four sons and two daughters: Rachel, wife of Daniel F. Stoltzfoos; Joseph S.; Omar S.; David S.; Samuel S. Jr.; and Elizabeth, wife of Henry K. Fisher, all of Ronks R1; 23 grandchildren; and these brothers and sisters: Sarah, wife of Ephraim K. King, Ronks R1; Lizzie, wife of Amos S. Lantz, Gordonville R1; John S. Fisher, Lancaster; Ben S. Fisher, Mifflinburg R2; and these step brothers and sisters: Mrs. Annie Lantz, Gordonville R1; Ephraim K. King, Ronks R1; Daniel K. King, Lancaster; Sarah, wife of John Z. Lapp, Gordonville R1; John K. King, Atglen; Mary, wife of Jonas S. Beiler, Miss Sylvia King and Miss Malinda King, all of Ronks R1; and Enos K. King, Paradise R1. A daughter, Rebecca, preceded him in death, May 27, 1956.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Amos S. Lapp and Bishop John F. Glick; burial was in Beilers Cemetery.



GLICK, Melvin S., 28, Bird-in-Hand R1, Penna.

died at 3 a.m. Monday, January 8, following a lengthy illness of cancer. He was the husband of Amanda L. (Stoltzfus) Glick. Born in Warwick Twp., he was a son of Levi S. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Glick, Leola R1. In addition to his widow and parents, he is survived by three daughters, Anna, Linda, and Naomi, all at home; and the following brothers and sisters: David, Lititz; Jacob, Lancaster; Sarah, wife of Jonathan King, Witmer; Rachel and Fannie, both of Leola R1; Emery, Leola R1; and Benjamin, Gap R2.

Funeral services were held by Amos U. Glick and Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; burial was in Upper Millcreek Cemetery.

GLICK, Reuben K., 1 year, Smoketown R1, Penna.

son of Christ B. and Sarah (Kauffman) Glick, died Friday, January 5, at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. He had been under the care of a physician. In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, David Glick, at home; maternal grandparents, Isaac S. and Emma Kauffman, of Smoketown R1; paternal grandparents, David and Jemima Glick, of Smoketown R1; and maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Leah Kauffman, of Belleville, Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held by Samuel S. Beiler and John S. Fisher; burial was in Beiler's Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Anna, 58, of Bronson, Mich.

wife of Pre. Reuben Hershberger, died at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 11, at Coldwater Hospital, where she had been admitted Jan. 9. She had gone into a coma Tues. evening. She was born Oct. 14, 1914, a daughter of Lizzie Burkholder of Nappanee, Ind. and the late Pre. Noah Burkholder; was married Feb. 4, 1937 to Reuben E. Hershberger, who is the son of Emmanuel Hershberger of Kenton, Ohio. Children are Mrs. Jonas (Katie) Gingerich, Clark, Mo.; Mrs. Gordon (Lizzie) Olson, Bremen, Ind.; Mrs. Sam (Mary) Milier, Belleville, Wisc.; Noah Hershberger, Hazleton, Iowa; Mrs. Wallace (Polly) Hershberger, Bronson, Mich.; Joni of the home, and Mrs. John (Susie) Borntrager, Mt. Elgin, Ontario. Two sisters are Mrs. Jonas (Susie) Yutzy of Nappanee and Sarah, still at home with her mother.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 14 at the home by Bishop Ura I. Yoder from Bowling Green, Mo. Services were held the next day at the Mahlon Hershberger home at LaGrange by Bishop Sam J. Miller of LaGrange and Pre. Jonas Helmuth from Hazleton, Ia. Burial was in Miller Cemetery.

KANAGY, Jonas, 28 days, of Mifflin Co., Penna.

son of Stephen and Annie (Swarey) Kanagy, died January 18. In addition to his parents he is survived by two brothers, Elam and Joseph, and two sisters, Katie and Fannie; grandparents, David M. Swareys of Allensville and Stephen Kanagy Sr. of Belleville.

Funeral services were held by Samuel T. Peachey, and David Swarey of Juniata County; burial was in the Renno Cemetery.

KING, Miss Annie K., 83, Gordonville R1, Penna.

died Friday, January 5, at the home of Lloyd M. Beiler of Narvon R2. She had been under the care of a physician. Born in Leacock Twp., she was the daughter of the late David S. and Mattie (King) King. She is survived by four brothers and one sister: Benjamin K. King, Samuel K. King, and Miss Lydia K. King, all of Gordonville R1; Henry K. King of Lebanon R1; and Aaron K. King, of Bird-in-Hand R1.

Funeral services were held by Lloyd Beiler and Gideon King; hymn read by Amos Esch; burial was in Myers Cemetery.

KING, Joseph B., 68, Ronks R1, Penna.

died at 4 p.m. Monday, January 15, at Lancaster General Hospital where he had been admitted Friday. Born in Strasburg Twp., he was a son of Esther King, of Gap R1. His mother is the only survivor.

Funeral services were held at the David L. King residence by Moses Blank and Christian M. Fisher; hymn read by Elam Beiler; at graveyard, hymn read by Jacob A. King; abschied by Gideon Lapp; burial was in Beiler's Cemetery.

LAPP, John B., 20, Quarryville R1, Penna.

was killed in a buggy-car accident Sunday, Jan. 7 (see front page). Born in Lebanon County, he was a son of Joseph B. and Annie (King) Lapp, of Quarryville R1. In addition to his parents he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Roebel, wife of Amos Beiler, Kirkwood R1; Daniel Lapp, at the home farm, Isaac Lapp, Holtwood R1; Hannah, wife of Moses Renno, Mifflintown R2; and Jonas Lapp, of Strasburg R1; also his maternal grandparents, Isaac and Lydia King of Leola.

Funeral services were held at the home by Joseph King; hymn No. 371 read by Jonas Esch; at the farm house by Ezra H. Beiler and Enos Glick; hymn No. 353 read by Amos Lantz; at graveyard, hymn No. 357 read by John Beiler; abschied by David M. Lapp; burial was in Bunker Hill Cemetery; pallbearers were two cousins, Christy King and Aquilla King, and two friends, Mark Beiler and Enos Stoltzfus.

MILLER, Kathryn, 17, Wilma, 18, Topeka, Ind.

died from injuries received in a buggy-car accident January 6 (see front page). Kathryn N. Miller was born in LaGrange County October 11, 1955, and Wilma N. Miller was born in LaGrange County April 25, 1954. Both were the daughters of Nathaniel and Mary Ann (Beechy) Millier. Surviving with the parents are six brothers, Ora N. and Edwin, both in Topeka, Alvin of Millersburg, Lloyd and Aaron, both of alternate service, and LeRoy at home; six sisters, Barbara, Mary Etta and Ida, all at home; Mrs. John (Lydia May) Yoder and Mrs. John (Irma) Lambright, both of LaGrange; and Mrs. Leander (Anna Irene) Keim of Haven, Kansas; the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Beechy of Topeka.

Double funeral services were held in the Orla Troyer residence by Bishop David Nisley and Bishop Jacob Schrock; burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.



# OBITUARIES, Continued

**MILLER, Infant Daughter of Orva, LaGrange R2, Ind.**

Graveside services were held Friday, January 5, at 10 a.m. in the Miller Cemetery for the infant daughter of Orva and Wilma (Miller) Miller, by Bishop Amos N. Miller. The baby was stillborn Thursday at 3 p.m. in the LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving with the parents are the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry L. Miller, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest N. Miller, all of Topeka.

**STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Rebecca B., 89, Talmage, Pa.**

Widow of John D. Stoltzfus, died at her home at 10:25 a.m. Sunday, January 21, after a lengthy illness. Her husband died in March 1962. Three years ago she broke her hip and although she recovered well enough to get around with a walker, she was a constant care after that. Not many days passed that she wasn't out of bed, even the day of her death she was on a chair a short while. She had pneumonia the last week. Since the spring of 1970 she was never left on her own, the children taking turns, a day at a time. How many, many times each one must have been there! the highest tribute a stepmother could have. Most of these three years she was in her own home, the small end of the house on the home farm. To say she never complained would be stretching the truth. But what will we be like if we become old and in her condition? Having never been layed up much, she was always friendly, and glad to see visitors.

She was born in West Earl Twp., a daughter of the late Pre. Christian S. and Leah (Beiler) Fisher. Although she never had children of her own, she has 414 descendents through her husband whom she married March 3, 1927. She is survived by two stepsons, Chester Z. Stoltzfus of Talmage and Simeon S. Stoltzfus of Ronks; eight stepdaughters: Barbara, wife of Jacob E. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1; Bena, wife of Pre. David S. Glick, Leola R1; Katie, wife of Amos M. Stoltzfus, New Holland R1; Sarah, wife of Bishop John S. Glick, Quarryville R3; Lizzie, wife of Bishop Enos M. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1; Mima, wife of Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; Emma, wife of Stephen L. Stoltzfus, Leola R1; Mary, wife of Gideon B. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; and one foster daughter, Emma (Krentz), wife of Amos Lapp, Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster; 112 stepgrandchildren; 292 step-great-grandchildren; two brothers, David B. Fisher, Oxford R1, and Benjamin Fisher, Lancaster; and one sister, Mrs. Suvilla Yoder, Strasburg R1; also numerous nieces and nephews in Lancaster and Lebanon Counties, Pa., also Tenn., Ohio, and Canada.

Funeral services were held by Samuel Lapp of the home district, and Levi H. Fisher, text, 1 Thess. 4: 13 to 18; hymn at house, "Welt hinweg ich bin dein mude," by Aaron J. Stoltzfus; hymn at graveside, "Ach was ist doch unser leben," by Ivan Fisher; abcschied by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; burial was in Myers Cemetery.

**SCHLABACH, Mary, 69, of Guthrie, Kentucky**

wife of John Schlabach died January 29 at the Clarksville Hospital following a heart stroke Jan. 28. She was born Feb. 9, 1903 in Holmes County, Ohio, a daughter of the late Samuel J. and Lydia (Erb) Miller. Surviving in addition to her husband are five sons: Alvin of Oakland, Md.; Ervin and Raymond of Guthrie, Ky.; Mose of Conneautville, Pa. and Samuel of Shreve, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. Mahlon (Lydiann) Hostetler of Kansas, and Mrs. Eli (Katie) Yoder of Orrville, Ohio; two brothers, Mike S. Miller and Albert S. Miller, Millersburg, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Abe S. Yoder, Millersburg, Ohio, and Mrs. Emanuel A. Miller, of Fredericksburg, Ohio; 37 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held February 1, by Jonas Yoder of Sugarcreek, Ohio, and Simon Yoder of the home community.

**SWAREY, David C., 54, Belleville, Pa.**

was instantly killed in a farm accident, Jan. 30 (see front page). Surviving are his wife, Rebecca, daughter of Jonathan Zooks of Lancaster County. nine sons and four daughters, Jonathan, Christian, Mrs. Sylvanus (Katie) Peachey, Mrs. Jonas (Susie) Peachey, Mrs. Jonas (Lydia) Yoder, Isaac, and Jacob, David, John, Henry, Samuel, Rebecca, and Steven, at home; 15 grandchildren; his father, Christian K. Swarey; stepmother, Lena (King) Swarey; brothers and sisters: Mrs. Joshua (Katie) Renno, Belleville Star Route; Mrs. Samuel (Sarah) Peight, Belleville; Daniel, Reedsville; Mrs. John O. (Malinda) Peachey, Mattawanna; Mrs. Kore (Fannie) Peachey, Belleville; Mrs. Seth (Emma) Yoder, Mifflintown; Mrs. Jonas (Drusilla) Renno, Belleville Star Route; Enos, Samuel, Mifflintown; Mrs. Levi (Judith) Kanagy, Belleville; Mrs. Ezra (Miriam) Peachey, Belleville; Crist, of Mifflintown; Abraham, Mifflinburg; Shem, Allensville; and Mrs. Daniel (Susie) Peachey.

Funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 2 at the Crist Renno home; burial was in the Renno Cemetery.

**SWARTZENDRUBER, Mrs. Enos C., Johnson Co., Ia.**

died January 18 after an illness of over a month. She is survived by her husband and seven children, three sons, Chris of Central America, Eldon and Paul of Kalona; four daughters, Mrs. Emanuel (Barbara) Bontrager of the home place, Mrs. Bishop Truman (Lovina) Miller of Kalona, Mrs. Mose (Sadie) Mast of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Katie of the home; and two sisters, Lydia Bender, 80, living with the Swartzentrubers, and Mrs. Bishop Mose W. Yoder of Nappanee, Ind.; and two brothers, George Bender of Wellman and Chris of Kalona. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bishop and Mrs. Sam Bender, and a brother Emory, who died in 1936 in Okla. Her age is about 76. Funeral services were held Sunday, January 21.

**YODER, Manasses R., 64, of Holmes Co., Ohio**

died at home December 30, 1972, from a heart attack. Leaves eight daughters and two sons. His wife, Edna (Mullet), died July 25, 1952.

**STUTZMAN, Elmer E., 83, of Arthur, Illinois**

died January 11 of a lingering age and cancer, at the age of 83 yr., 5 mo., 11 days. He was born July 30, 1889 a son of Eli J. and Mary (Troyer) Stutzman. Married Sally Brisky December 22, 1910; she died April 20, 1951; lived in matrimony 40 yr., 10 da. To this union were born one daughter, Elizabethann, wife of Abraham Schrock; three sons, Clarence, Henry and William, Melvin died at about 6 months. Married second time to Maryann Fielmoth Beachy November 15, 1953; she died February 22, 1968. He was next to youngest of eight brothers and two sisters, and was the last in the family to go.

Funeral services were held at the Howard H. Yoder home, by Noah Stutzman and Mose Nisley.

**YODER, Mattie, 60, of Geauga County, Ohio**

wife of Lester E. Yoder of Bundysburg, Middlefield, Ohio, died Sunday morning, January 28 at her home from a lingering illness. Funeral services were held at the Yoder home by Jake (Katie) Miller from Punxsutawney, Pa., and Jake Mast from Lawrence Co., Pa.; and at the Joe Schlaughbach residence by Harvey A. Miller, and a stranger from Lawrence Co., Pa., name unknown.

#### BAPTISMS

**Bunker Hill North District**

January 6, by Andy J. Yoder

Levi, son of Eli A. and Dena (Hershberger) Yoder

Moses, son of Levi M. and Susan (Mast) Keim

Esther, dau. of Paul J. and Anna (Yoder) Burkholder

Erma, dau. of Jonas A. and Betty (Yoder) Weaver

#### GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO NOTES

While John N. Detweilers were butchering, their chimney caught fire, and while the men were putting out the fire, Pre. Val D. Troyer fell, ladder and all. He has broken ribs and was in the hospital.

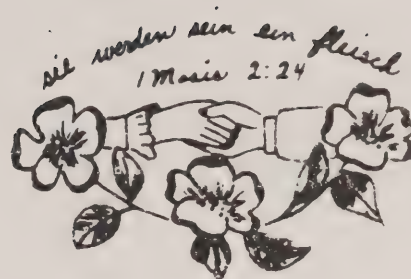
Jonas A. Miller had the misfortune of breaking his right hand the eve before New Years Day. It was a bad break, and he had to go to Blanchard Hospital to have a pin put in. He will be laid up for quite a while.

A \$4,000 to \$5,000 damage was estimated at the fire of Mose M. Millers on Peters Road, Middlefield, when their chimney caught fire. It started upstairs and wasn't noticed right away. The fire department arrived in time to save a lot of furniture and things, but the living room and part of the upstairs had to be almost completely remodeled.

#### DOVER, DELAWARE ACCIDENT

On the evening of January 17, Andy A. Miller Jr's dearborn was hit by a car, doing extensive damage. Andy was thrown off, with a fractured vertebra in his back. Was in the hospital till the 21st, is at home and able to be up and around with the aid of a brace.

New Haven, Ind. - Had church for the first time in the new settlement at South Whitley, Ind. at Amos Steurys. Bishop Sam Graber, Pre. Amos Schwartz, Dea. Jacob Zehr, and several other families of Allen County attended there.



#### MARRIAGES

**Dover, Delaware**

Mast, Yoder - John, son of Pre. Andy H. Mast, Sarah Mast, and Rhoda, daughter of Pre. Leroy J. and Mary Yoder, January 11.

**Holmes County, Ohio**

Burkholder, Troyer - Jonas, son of Paul J. and Anna (Yoder) Burkholder and Catherine, daughter of Oris C. and Susan Troyer, January 4, by Bishop Dan E. Schlaubach

Weaver, Miller - Ivan, son of Dan J. and Amanda Weaver, and Martha, daughter of Monroe L. and Amanda Miller, January 11, by John D. Frey.

Yoder, Burkholder - Levi, son of Eli A. and Dena Yoder, and Esther, daughter of Paul J. and Anna Burkholder, January 18, by Eli E. Hershberger

Keim, Weaver - Moses, son of Levi M. and Susan Keim, and Erma, daughter of Jonas A. and Betty Weaver, January 25, by Dan E. Schlaubach.

Yoder, Yoder - Amos, son of Dave M. and Mary Ann (Hershberger) Yoder, and Lydian, daughter of Monroe L. and Susie (Miller) Yoder, January 25.

Coblentz, Miller - Marvin, son of Joe J. and Amanda (Schlach) Coblentz Jr., and Marie, daughter of Alvin C. and Betty (Yoder) Miller, February 1, by Bishop Melvin A. Raber.

**Allen County, Indiana**

Miller, Eicher - Amos, son of Bill and Wendy (Lengacher) Miller, and Esther, daughter of Bishop Noah and Mary (Schmucker) Eicher, January 18, by Bishop Noah Eicher

**LaGrange County, Indiana**

Beachy, Schrock - Daniel, son of William D. and Lovina (Swartz) Beachy, and Eana, daughter of Alvin J. and Polly (Bontrager) Schrock, January 25.

**Buchanan County, Iowa**

Schwarz, Mullet - Andy, son of Joe Schwarz of Steuben Co., Ind., and Ida, daughter of Mrs. Katie Mullet, January 11, by Atlee Shetler.

**Tavistock Community, Ontario, Canada**

Peachey, Hertzler - Emanuel, son of John and Mary (Glick) Peachey, and Fannie, daughter of Henry and the late Ella (Nissley) Hertzler, October 26, 1972.

Gingerich, Hertzler - Edward, son of Eli and Lizzie (Stutzman) Gingerich of Norwich, Ont., and Rachel, daughter of Jacob and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Hertzler, January 18, 1973.



**JANUARY 1973**

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**CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS****Dover, Delaware, by Neil Hershberger**

Weather remains mild with a cold week starting the 6th. Coldest temperature for January was 13 degrees on the 9th. Rainfall totaled around 4 inches. No snow yet this winter. Farmers made good use of the frozen spell to get in most of the remaining corn. Feed prices have gone up very high the past four months. Laying mash is 6.20 Cwt. Eggs sell at the farm for 60¢ to 70¢ Doz.

**St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus**

The New Year came in shirtsleeves, so to speak, with 60 degree temperature that night. January 1st warmed up to 70 or more. We had a considerable amount of pleasant springlike weather throughout the month; very little rain; two inches of snow fell on the 8th; coldest was 8 degrees on the 10th.

**Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus**

Rainfall was 4 inches in the Bareville area.

Market Report: Fat Cattle, Jan. 18th, one black angus steer topped the market, \$45 at New Holland, which made a new record; Bulls, \$35.00 to \$40.75; Stockers, \$31.50 to \$53.50 Cwt.; Veal Calves, \$52 to 74.50 Cwt.; Hog market also made an all time high record, \$35 Cwt.; 40 lb. shoats, 60¢ to 64¢ per lb.; Fresh cows out of Wisconsin brought \$540 to \$710; Eggs, 54¢ Doz.; Potatoes, \$6 to 6.50 Cwt.; Hay, \$32 to \$80 Ton; Straw, \$33 to \$43; Ear Corn, \$36 to \$48 Ton, 1.86 Bu.; Wheat, 2.35 Bu.; Barley, 1.45 Bu.; Oats, \$1.20.

by Ammon F. Fisher

January started with clear and very warm weather, 60 degrees. Second week was cold, temperature from 12 to 34 degrees all week, perfect ice skating weather. Third week had 17th, 18th, and 19th with 58 to 62 degree weather, warmest Jan. 18 on record. In p.m. of 19th had a thunder shower, turning colder and windy the 20th. Jan. 22 and 23 had ½ in. rain and damp with 40 to 60 degree temperature. Total rainfall was 3.8 in., a few inches of snow the 29th, but was wet, and most of it melted as it fell. Farmers had a good chance to get corn fodder in, and lots of it was shredded and baled, as straw and hay prices are high. Four days that it was fit to plow in Jan. Most of tobacco is stripped, buyers are offering from 30 to 42¢ a lb., but most farmers want more, as feed prices are high. Concentrate is as high as \$8.30 @100. Beef prices are a record high of \$.43 live weight. Farm sales are on the go.

**Leraysville, Pa., by Clemens L. Nissley**

Weather has been on the mild side, with lots of freezing and thawing, very little snow, had zero in the morning of the 9th and 7 below the 30th, coldest for January. Farmers are hauling manure and cutting fire wood, some are butchering. The later part of the month made you feel like tapping maples, heard one farmer was at it.

**Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King**

Most of January was mild and sunny, with 2.8 in. of rain and very little snow. One week of cold winds, and the rest of the month was exceptionally nice. Farmers had a good chance to work corn fodder in for bedding, which brought the price of straw down somewhat. Steers, hogs, eggs, etc., are all very high in price at present, but due to the high cost of protein and grain, farmers are not making as much profit as the city people would assume.

**Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler**

The new year came in warm and sunny. The coldest for this winter, so far, came the second week, with temperature hardly above freezing all week. Mild weather since with very little snow, a good share of both rain and sunshine. Some plowing done this month.

**Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus**

January weather was mild and wet. The lowest temperature was 9 above zero on January 9 and the highest was 63 degrees Jan. 17 and 18. There were snow flurries but none to measure. Measurable amount of rain fell on eight days and totaled 3.58 inches.

**Franklin Co., Pa. by Jacob E. Flaud**

The month of January was mild, some rainfall, but very little snow, a lot of nice sunny days, the warmest January on record. Some plowing was done during the month, but the ground is a little soft in spots. Would be nice to see a good coat of snow on the ground. Suppose it would also be good for the grain and alfalfa crops. Feed prices are high. Hay is a little cheaper again. Some farmers are having problems with corn chop due to spoilage, especially in horse and hog feed. Several horses died from overeating.

**Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer**

We had a rather mild January, if averaged out. Some plowing was done in the fore part and in the latter part. But for one week, from the 7th to 13th, it was cold. The average for that week was a little over 6 degrees in the mornings, with no snow, so the young folks had some nice skating. The last two mornings were colder again. The lowest was 2 degrees on the 9th. We had around 2 inches of rain and a little snow.

**Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey**

January was a very mild month, about half was beautiful, warm sunny days. Lowest temperature was 8 degrees, highest, 75. Much of the time temperature was at 40 day and night. Rainfall, 1½ to 2 inches, some snow and ice but not enough that could be measured. The last 3 days were colder and cloudy.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during January was as nearly perfect as I've yet seen it, clear, calm, and cold, no stormy weather, and no snow. Except for the first week the ground was frozen dry. We had no mud, snow, or cold stormy days all month. We had a total of  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches rain, which came in three different showers. Some plowing done the first week. February came in wet and warm, with heavy rains.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

January 1973 came in with a very springlike day. Farmers were plowing the first several days in Jan. which is unusual for here. Then it turned much colder and children, small, and some not so small, were skating. We had a lot of damp weather, and there is a lot of sickness, including the mumps, making its rounds in this community. Prices of almost everything are at a record high. Quite a few farm sales are scheduled for this spring.

Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

January was a month of more sunshine, not very much snow, about three days of all-day rain, but not real heavy rains. The second week was cold, ranging from about zero to 20 above. The next week was warm, very much like spring. From then on it was changeable, a few warm, than a few cold days, as warm as 50 degrees and even up to 60 a time or two. Still a little corn to pick. Corn is scarce, but there is some to be bought at 75¢ per basket.

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

January started in with a nice sunny New Year, but cold. We've had a lovely January with quite a few nice sunny days. Also several snowy days, but only a light cover for the ground. We had quite a few mornings with 6 and 8 degree temperatures. The 25th and 26th were very nice and sunny with temperature in the 40s and 50s. The last few days were colder again. Corn was mostly husked the beginning of Jan. what wasn't husked before. Men are hauling manure and making logs and pulp wood. Women are sewing, and quilting, along with their daily work and chores.

Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

This has been an unusual winter so far, not much snow, and temperature mostly above freezing. An occasional snow, but then it lasts only a few days till it's all gone. Still corn to husk due to wet fields. A lot of sickness around, mostly among children. Eggs are high priced, from 55¢ to 65¢. Stores have them at yet higher prices. Feed has gone up considerably.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Springlike weather through most of the month. More days of sunshine than the last three months of 1972. Corn harvesting is still not completed. Elevators have been overloaded with corn, through lack of drying facilities mostly, probably the first time in history. Lots of people were down with the flu during the mild weather of this month.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Raymond M. Troyer

January was a month of sunshine, with only one day that the sun didn't shine. Temperature ranged from 4 degrees to 55, with a few inches of snow, and a little rain. Corn and soybeans are mostly harvested.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas Borntrager

Had some real nice warm days since New Year. Also had enough cold weather that the corn to be picked with mechanical pickers is nearly all gathered. The shock corn is also almost all taken care of. Of course we also had some rain and mud. This morning, Jan. 29, it was 13 above zero, and ground white with snow. Groundhog Day is Friday, don't know how much information we get then.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

January came in very pleasant, bringing us more sunshine, which is appreciated. During the second week the temperature dropped to a low of 8 degrees, which made ideal ice skating for the younger clan. Farmers were, however, able to harvest more of the corn crop but there's still some out. The last few days were cold again. Colds and flu are quite prevalent.

Southeastern Holmes Co., by John L. Yoder

For the month of January we had a different pattern. More sunshine than most months of 1972, a few cold snaps, some rain and snow, but mostly open, some real warm days for January. Corn about all husked now. Some people failing in health, but no serious sickness.

Western Holmes Co., by Monroe A. Weaver

We had a mild January, 4 above was the coldest, only about 3 or 4 inches of snow, 19 days fair or partly fair. Perhaps as much sunshine in January as we had the last three months of 1972. Average morning temperature was 24 above. Hogs and beef hit an all time high, hogs in our area, 35.60, and steers, 42.50. An all time high at Chicago, 43.75. In Nov. 1949 they peaked at 43.50 there.

If you subscribe for the Ohio Farmer, you will get an April 6, 1899 issue free. 1450 - 1600 lb. steers sold the highest, 5.50 - 5.65 Cwt. Hogs, a top of 4.05. New top buggies, \$26; single harness, 3.75; double farm harness, \$12; incubators and cream separators were something new; sewing machines, \$9.00.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

Had a lot of rain in December, but nice sunshiny weather in January. Was up to 60 degrees a few days which helped the farmers get their corn in, still some to be husked by machine.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

The first two days were somewhat sunshiny, but cold winds. On the 3rd it rained and rained, then cleared and was nice winter weather. Men husked corn but is still some out. Jan. 16 it snowed some, but became very pleasant and springlike. Had some snow the 28th, but warmer again. Weatherwise it was very pleasant. Presently some men are again picking and husking corn. Women are at their favorite hobby, piecing quilts and quilting.



# CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, continued

Adams County, Ind., by Mary Ann Hilty

January 1973 - "Everybody talks about the weather, but nobody does anything about it," is quoting an old saying. Weather was about what you'd expect in January, some cold, some mild days, some snow, a little rain, a few cloudy days, a little sunshine - and there you have it. Figures for the month are: Rain-fall, 1.87; snow, 2 inches; High, 60 on the 18th; low, 3 on the 10th; 10 clear, 14 partly cloudy, 7 cloudy, and 4 rainy days, no thunderstorms.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

January was the mildest, in most respects, of any January since 1960. Although quite a contrast from Jan. 10 when it was 3 above to Jan. 18 when it was 60 degrees. The ground was barely covered with snow, except on Jan. 28th had two inches. Otherwise it was freezing and thawing with several showers.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Joe W. Byler

We had very typical Geauga County weather all last month. A few days were just beautiful with temperature in the 60s, and a soft wind. We wonder if maybe we didn't have our overdue Indian Summer.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather was more settled this month. Was cold on the 7th and had 2½ inches snow, which stayed all week. Nice weather the week of the 14th, with more rain the latter part of the month. Farmers are top dressing small grain when possible. Soybeans are around \$5.00 per bu.; Hogs up to 33¢.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

First half of month was very nice, temperature mostly from 4 above to 40 degrees, some very nice sunshiny days. Corn and beans are mostly gathered. The wind was mostly in south and southeast. The last half was warm and more cloudy and damp. Not much frost in ground but no ploughing. This Groundhog Day is cloudy and foggy. Don't look like the groundhog will see his shadow today.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

There were 16 or 17 nice sunshiny days in Jan., but also had two freezing rains. The first one came the 3rd, it broke down many tree branches, telephone wires, etc. Then had 4 to 5 inches snow on top of ice. The coldest was 12 below zero the 9th, the warmest, 56 degrees on the 17th and 18th. The second freezing rain the 21st, which broke down more wires and branches. A nearly all night rain the 31st. To add it all together at end of month, the answer is mud.

Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

The first two days in January were nice and sunny. Jan. 3rd it rained, and then colder for about 10 days, then changeable. Ice left the ponds about Jan. 18. Ponds are nearly full now. We've had an unusually wet winter since late fall so when it warms up it's muddy and the fields soft. Still a little corn to husk. It takes a little more feed this winter than sometimes.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

The first two weeks of January were cold, with nine zero mornings, 20 below zero was the coldest. Last two weeks of January were moderating, with temperature at freezing point during the day. Jan. 3, a freezing rain, sleet, and snowstorm, which made country roads quite slick.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather had moderated the later part of December, but turned cold again, and had much zero weather the first half of January, with plenty ice and some snow. However, the last week was warmer again with plenty of mud.

Reno Co., Kansas (Partridge area) by Edward Mast

The first part of January had above average snow and below average temperatures, with quite a bit of zero weather. The last part was more moderate, with plenty of moisture. Wheat fields are muddy and feed-lots are hurting bad. Rendering plants are stockpiling hundreds of dead cattle. The state estimates 50,000 head will be lost this winter because of unusual weather.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

Quite unusual weather for January. Maybe we had our Indian Summer in January. We had quite a bit of sunshine and warm weather. We also had some rain, and a few cold snaps. On January 31 hogs were up to \$50.20 Cwt. (dressed).

## MIGRATIONS OF 1972

Sam Beaches moved from Kennedyville, Md. to Marshfield, Mo. in March.

Jonathan H. Beilers moved from Quarryville R3, Pa. to Pleasant Hall Star Rt., Pa. March 29

Enos Beilers moved from Mechanicsville, Md. to Path Valley, Pa. March 11

David S. Bontragers moved from Wilton, Wis. to Bronson, Mich. July 22

Joe E. Bontragers moved from Fortuna, Mo. to Middlebury, Ind. February 24

Joe F. Bontragers moved from Buchanan Co., Ia. to Milton, Ia. February 23

Joe M. Bontragers moved from Clark, Mo. to Wilton, Wis. August 30

Levi Bontragers moved from Medford, Wis. to Blair, Wis. in January

Noah Bontragers moved from Arthur, Ill. to Michigan March 17

Sam R. Bontragers moved from Buchanan Co., Ia. to Bowling Green, Mo. February 23

Truman Bontragers moved from Wilton, Wis. to Bronson, Mich. July 22

Andy U. Bylers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Guys Mills, Pa. April 6

Daniel D. Bylers Jr. moved from Geauga Co., O. to Guys Mills, Pa. April 26

Eli Z. Bylers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Littlestown, Pa. March 17

Jacob Bylers moved from Ohio to Marshfield, Mo. in March.

Jacob K. Bylers moved from New Wilmington, Pa. to Atlantic, Pa. March 30

John H. Bylers moved from Spartansburg, Pa. to Middlefield, Ohio February 3.

John J. Bylers moved from Mercer, Pa. to Pleasant Lake, Ind. April 4

Lavern J. Bylers moved from Hartville, Ohio to Townville, Pa. February 28

Melvin D. Bylers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Guys Mills, Pa. May 12

Wallace Bylers moved from Conneautville, Pa. to Martinsburg, Ohio February 8.

Alvin J. Coblentz's moved from Hartville, Ohio to Townville, Pa. March 15

Earl N. Coblentz's moved from Hartville, Ohio to Centerville, Pa. April 19

Eli Coblentz's moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Mercer, Pa. March 7.

Jonas Coblentz's moved from Uniontown, Ohio to Springboro, Pa. May 24.

Eli Detweilers moved from Holmes Co., Ohio to Manilla, Ind. March 2.

Amos Eichers moved from Fernheim, Paraguay to Snyder Co., Pa. in February.

Josiah Eichers moved from Graybill, Ind. to Pleasant Lake, Ind. in March.

Noah N. Eichers moved from Graybill, Ind. to Pleasant Lake, Ind. in March.

Christian Eshs moved from Gordonville R1, Pa. to Newburg R1, Pa. March 23.

John F. Eshs Jr. moved from Gettysburg, Pa. to St. Mary's Co., Md. March 7.

Alvin J. Farmwalds moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Punxsutawney, Pa. in March.

Andy J. Farmwalds moved from Orwell, Ohio to Guys Mills, Pa.

Elam Fishers moved from Kinzers R1, Pa. to Newville R3, Pa. April 4

Gideon Fishers moved from Gordonville, Pa. to Newville R3, Pa. March 16.

Menno E. Fishers moved from Bird-in-Hand, Pa. to Conneautville, Pa. in March.

William Fishers moved from Gordonville, Pa. to Newville R3, Pa. April 4

Harvey Gingerichs moved from Cashton, Wis. to Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada in February.

Mose Gingerichs moved from Medford, Wis. to Wadena R2, Minn. December 21.

Perry Gingerichs moved from Medford, Wis. to Wadena R2, Minn. December 21.

Albert Hershbergers moved from East Randolph, N. Y. to Fryburg, Pa. in November.

Andy C. Hershbergers moved from Middlefield, O. to Milroy, Indiana.

Andy J. Hershbergers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Punxsutawney, Pa. in March.

Henry A. Hershbergers moved from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Fryburg, Pa. November 30.

John A. Hershbergers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Punxsutawney, Pa. in March.

Menno J. Hershbergers moved from Navarre, O. to Medina Co., Ohio in March.

Mervin Hershbergers moved from Buchanan Co., Ia. to Milton, Ia.

Albert Hertzlers moved from Lucknow, Ontario to Springs, Pa. June 6.

Abe Hochstetlers moved from St. Mary's, Ontario to Ohio in March.

Joe Hochstetlers moved from Amherst, Wis. to Clark, Mo. March 10.

Eli Hostetlers moved from Conneautville, Pa. to Gambier, Ohio March 15

John J. Hostetlers moved from Jamesport, Mo. to Arthur, Illinois February 16.

John K. Hostetlers moved from Milroy, Pa. to Winfield, Pa. in February.

Levi J. Hostetlers moved from Ethridge, Tenn. to Guernsey Co., Ohio November 7.

Mike S. Kauffmans moved from Mifflintown, Pa. to Orrstown, Pa. March 27.

Dan M. Keims moved from Mt. Hope, Ohio to Ashley, Ind. April 4.

Marvin Keims moved from Orrville R2, Ohio to Smicksburg, Pa. March 27.

David Kinsingers moved from Salisbury, Pa. to Marshfield, Mo. March 22.

Paul Klines moved from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Martinsburg, Ohio March 28.

Lester Kuhns moved from Nappanee, Ind. to Marshfield, Mo. in December.

Jonas Kurtzs moved from New Wilmington, Pa. to Atlantic, Pa. March 10.

Christ Lapps IW moved from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Newburg, Pa. July 28.

Enos Lees moved from Lawrence Co., Pa. to Springs, Pa. April 5.

Dan L. Masts moved from Stirling, Ont. to Fryburg, Pa. November 9.

Henry Masts moved from Kenton, Ohio to Ashley, Indiana May 2.

Henry Masts moved from Stirling, Ontario to Marrietta, Ohio.

Levi Masts moved from Stirling, Ontario to Marrietta, Ohio November 20.

Menno J. Masts moved from Bowling Green, Mo. to Pulaski, Ia. in January.

Allen M. Millers moved from Cenertville, Pa. to Smicksburg, Pa. April 26.

Ammon D. Millers moved from Holmes Co., Ohio to Danville, Pa. April 18.

Amos D. Millers moved from New Glarus, Wis. to Centerville, Mich. March 16.

Andy J. Millers moved from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Martinsburg, Ohio March 2.

Crist J. P. Millers moved from Middlefield, Ohio to Guys Mills, Pa. in April.

Dan D. Millers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Smicksburg, Pa. in March.

Edward Millers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Martinsburg, Ohio September 2.

Eli D. Millers moved from Dayton, Pa. to Belleville, Wis. March 28.

Eli H. Millers moved from Kenton, Ohio to Orange County, Indiana in February.



## MIGRATIONS OF 1972, Continued

Enos D. Millers moved from Wroxeter, Ontario to Delaware April 18.

John A. Millers moved from Spartensburg, Pa. to Snyder County, Pa. August 1.

John E. Millers moved from Mesopotamia, Ohio to Mio, Mich. August 1.

John M. L. Millers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Indiana Co., Pennsylvania.

John N. Millers moved from Atlantic, Pa. to New Wilmington, Pa. March 10.

Jonas K. Millers moved from Medford, Wis. to Wilton, Wis. March 29.

Jonas L. Millers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Reynoldsville, Pa. in March.

Lee A. Millers moved from Geauga County, Ohio to Spartansburg, Pa. September 29.

Levi E. Millers moved from Kidron, Ohio to Sugar Grove, Pa. December 12.

Levi S. Millers moved from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Bradford Co., Pa. August 31.

Mahlon J. Millers moved from Selinsgrove, Pa. to Maryland, Maryland in March.

Mervin E. Millers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Troutville, Pa. in March.

Mike N. Millers moved from Uniontown, Ohio to Titusville, Pa. in March.

Monroe Millers moved from Illinois to Pulaski, Iowa February 25.

Monroe E. Millers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Troutville, Pa. in March.

Uriah J. Millers moved from Wayne Co., Ohio to Danville, Pa. in April.

John Petersheims moved from Quarryville R3, Pa. to Newburg R1, Pa. September 7.

Andy D. Schlachts moved from Clark, Ohio to Lodi, Ohio April 20.

Dave Swartzs moved from Berne, Indiana to Ashley, Indiana May 5.

Dave N. Shetlers moved from Kenton, Ohio to Clark, Mo. March 8.

John L. Shetlers moved from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Fryburg, Pa. in November.

Levi B. Shetlers moved from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Sugar Grove, Pa. May 9.

Levi L. Shetlers moved from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Sugar Grove, Pa. April 11.

Rudy Shetlers moved from Stirling, Ontario to Norwich, Ontario November 1.

Sam Shrocks moved from Amherst, Wis. to Anabel, Missouri April 6.

William Shrocks moved from Arthur, Illinois to New Glarus, Wisconsin.

Daniel W. Smuckers moved from Centerville, Mich. to Amherst, Wis. November 11.

Mahlon Sommers moved from Lawrence Co., Pa. to Mercer, Pa. in February.

Daniel K. Stoltzfus's moved from Ronks R1, Pa. to Newburg R1, Pa. March 4.

Jacob S. Stoltzfus's moved from Gettysburg, Pa. to St. Mary's County, Maryland in March.

Melvin E. Stoltzfus's moved from Honey Brook, Pa. to Newville R3, Pa. March 30.

Stephen Stoltzfus's moved from Quarryville R3 to Newville R2, Pa. March 8.

Ben M. Troyers moved from Smicksburg, Pa. to Reynoldsville, Pa. in March.

Daniel A. Troyers moved from Lakeside, Ontario to Ohio in March.

Eli M. Troyers moved from Plain City, Ohio to Jamesport, Mo. March 2.

Ervin M. Troyers moved from Mercer, Pa. to Smicksburg, Pa. April 4.

John C. Troyers moved from Mercer, Pa. to Spartansburg, Pa. April 21.

Joni Troyers moved from Hartville, Ohio to Centerville, Pa. April 12.

Mrs. Lydianne Weaver moved from Hartville, O. to Townville, Pa. March 14.

Noah M. Wengerds moved from Geauga Co., O. to Spartansburg, Pa. April 1.

Rudy Wickeys moved from Snyder County, Pa. to Reynoldsville R3, Pa. November 16.

Allan Yoders moved from Fortuna, Mo. to Jamesport, Mo.

Dave Yoders moved to Marshfield, Missouri in February.

Eli A. Yoders moved from Enon Valley, Pa. to Sugar Grove, Pennsylvania.

Emanuel W. Yoders moved from Winesburg, Ohio to Martinsburg, Ohio April 25.

Henry J. Yoders moved from Selinsgrove, Pa. to Sudlersville, Md. January 20.

John H. Yoders moved from Mt. View, Mo. to Jamesport, Mo. March 16.

Marvin Jay Yoders moved from Medford, Wis. to Tomah, Wis. in August.

Menno J. Yoders moved from Kinsman, Ohio to Belleville, Wis. March 1.

Noah J. Yoders moved from Selinsgrove, Pa. to Maryland, Md. January 20.

Noah Y. Yoders moved from Enon Valley, Pa. to Sugar Grove, Pa. April 27.

Reuben Yoders moved to Marshfield, Missouri in February.

Sam J. Yoders moved from Holmes County, Ohio to Guernsey County, Ohio in March.

Homer Yutzys moved from Stuarts Draft, Va. to Guthrie, Ky. February 29.

In 1972 there were at least four new settlements. One at Guys Mills in Crawford County, where Pre. Andy Farmwald and four other families moved from Geauga County, Ohio. The second one is near Townville, also in Crawford County. Bishop Alvin J. Coblenz, Pre. Earl Coblenz, and several other families from Stark County, Ohio, moved there. Crawford County now has five Amish settlements. The third one is in the Troutville area, close to the Clearfield-Jefferson County line. Seven families moved there from the Smicksburg, Pa. area. The fourth is near Fryburg, Pa. in Clarion County. We don't have much information on this one except that

they moved there from Conewango Valley, N. Y. and Stirling, Ontario. The Franklin-Cumberland County area increased by about ten families, which gives them about 20 families altogether. Sugar Grove, Pa., in Warren County, increased by five, which gives them 15 families. In December two families moved from Medford, Wisconsin to Wadena, Minnesota to start a new settlement there.

C. J. Stoltzfus

#### Deaths of Young Folks, 1923 to 1972

1. John, 19, son of Isaac and Malinda Stoltzfus, Ronks, October 19, 1923.

2. Andy, 21, son of Amos and Katie Stoltzfus, Ronks, August 19, 1924.

3. Enos, 16, son of Samuel and Annie Zook, Gordonville, February 24, 1925.

4. Elias, 18, son of Jacob and Arie Fisher, Gordonville, June 9, 1925.

5. John, 15, son of Joseph and Hannah Lapp, Gordonville, December 25, 1925.

6. Jacob, 19, son of Levi and Barbara Smoker, Gordonville, August 26, 1925.

7. Elmer, 17, son of Menno and Sarah Fisher, Gordonville, February 16, 1928.

8. John, 20, son of Jonas and Fannie Beiler, Ronks, October 14, 1929.

9. Stephen, 20, son of Widow Lydia Lapp, Bird-in-Hand, fell, September 25, 1930.

10. Mary, 16, daughter of Widow Mary B. Stoltzfus, Gap, December 16, 1930.

11. Samuel, 21, son of Elias and Barbara Smoker, Ronks, February 1, 1931.

12. Stephen, 15, son of Ben and Sadie Yoder, Paradise, October 15, 1932.

13. Aaron, 23, husband of Rachel Stoltzfus, son of John and Malinda Zook, Bird-in-Hand, Appendicitis, November 16, 1932.

14. Henry, 16, son of Henry and Lydia Beiler, Bird-in-Hand, March 3, 1934.

15. Aaron, 20, son of Jonathan and Katie Smucker, Ronks, Pneumonia, May 16, 1934.

16. Katie, 24, daughter of Christ and Sarah King, New Holland, Accident, November 23, 1934.

17. Earl, 18, son of Elam and Rachel Stoltzfus, Gordonville, Accident, September 8, 1936.

18. Noah, 18, son of Isaac and Lydia Zook, Bareville, Accident, November 13, 1936.

19. Mary, 26, daughter of Christ and Molly King, Bird-in-Hand, March 1, 1937.

20. Sadie, 17, daughter of Eli and Rachel Beiler, Ronks, July 22, 1937.

21. Dora, 21, daughter of Christ and Sarah King, New Holland, November 17, 1938.

22. Lydia, 17, daughter of David and Rachel Glick, Bird-in-Hand, April 22, 1939.

23. Elizabeth, 23, daughter of Amos and Rebecca Zook, Ronks, June 29, 1940.

24. Amos, 16, son of Sam and Susie Lapp, Gap, December 24, 1941.

25. Elias, 23, son of Aaron and Mary Fisher, Ronks, Leukemia, May 10, 1942.

26. Leroy, 23, husband of Sarah Kauffman, son of Amos and Katie Zook, Bird-in-Hand, Accident, March 13, 1942.

27. Joel, 16, son of David and Fannie Zook, Lancaster, December 8, 1943.

28. Ivan, 25, son of John and Emma Stoltzfus, Kinzers, Diabetes, March 9, 1943.

29. Samuel, 22, son of Samuel and Lavina Stoltzfus, Gordonville, April 7, 1944.

30. Levi, 17, son of Levi and Lizzie Fisher, Ronks, Grass mower accident, September 11, 1944.

31. Simeon, 19, son of Daniel and Emma Esh, Gordonville, Kicked by a mule, July 25, 1945.

32. Urie, 21, married Rachel Stoltzfus Nov. 16, 1943, son of Stephen R. and Lydia Stoltzfus, Elverson, died March 24, 1945.

33. Rachel, 18, daughter of John and Annie Stoltzfus, Bareville, Accident in Maryland, August 18, 1946.

34. Christian, 18, son of Abram and Lizzie Stoltzfus, Gap, March 15, 1947.

35. Anna, 16, daughter of Elam and Mattie Zook, New Holland R2, Measles, May 17, 1948.

36. Noah, 17, son of Noah and Rebecca Fisher, Ronks R1, Diabetes, November 25, 1949.

37. Amos, 21, son of Christ and Mary Beiler, Lancaster, Fell from tree, May 24, 1950.

38. Gideon, 17, son of Jacob and Annie Zook, Gap, Accident, June 3, 1950.

39. Daniel, 22, son of Samuel and Annie Stoltzfus, Kirkwood, November 21, 1953.

40. Samuel, 18, son of David and Lizzie Blank, Gordonville, Drowned, July 12, 1953.

41. Rebecca, 19, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Fisher, Ronks, Diabetes, May 27, 1956.

42. Aaron, 17, son of John and Leah Lapp, Bird-in-Hand, Sudden death, October 20, 1957.

43. Samuel, 19, son of Samuel and Rachel King, Bareville, Accident, February 3, 1958.

44. David, 25, son of Samuel and Mary Fisher, Soudersburg, married Elsie Stoltzfus November 3, 1953, Polio, died December 1, 1958.

45. Leah, 20, daughter of Daniel and Lydia Lapp, married Titus Kauffman, August 30, 1958, Accident, Bird-in-Hand, died June 5, 1959.

46. Daniel, 21, son of Daniel and Sarah Zook, Ronks, Accident, October 25, 1959.

47. Samuel, 19, son of Christ and Lydia King, Ronks, Accident, October 25, 1959.

48. Lydia, 19, daughter of Stephen and Malinda Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, Sore throat, April 22, 1961.

49. Ephraim, 19, son of David and Sarah King, Gordonville, Accident, April 17, 1961.

50. Daniel, 16, son of Benjamin and Fannie Peter-sheim, Lancaster, Drowned, July 2, 1961.

51. Amos, 19, son of Amos and Rachel Fisher, Gordonville, Heart attack, October 4, 1962.

52. Henry, 25, son of Christ and Susie Stoltzfus, Ronks, Accident, March 1, 1963.

53. Amos, 17, son of Samuel and Mary Esh, Paradise, Fell, December 18, 1964.



## Deaths of Young Folks, Continued

54. Elum, 31, son of Christ and Sadie Beiler, Ranks, Accident, February 27, 1965.
55. Stephen, 20, son of Christ and Salina Stoltzfus, Gordonville, Drowned, July 20, 1965.
56. Samuel, 26, son of Samuel and Mattie King, Gordonville, Fell from silo, June 22, 1965.
57. Katie, 16, daughter of David and Lydia Stoltzfus, Harvon R2, Brain tumor, June 1, 1966.
58. Melvin, 26, son of Aaron and Ruth Fisher, Strasburg, Accident, June 16, 1966.
59. George, 18, son of Jacob and Anna Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand, Accident, October 14, 1966.
60. Dale Samuel, 19, son of Samuel and Susie Lapp, Paradise, Sawmill accident, October 24, 1966.
61. David, 18, son of Abner and Annie King, Honey Brook, Accident, November 12, 1966.
62. Solly, 18, son of Aaron and Mary Glick, Bird-in-Hand, Leukemia, January 24, 1967.
63. Leon, 24, son of Leon and Hannah Beiler, married Edna Stoltzfus, March 25, 1967, Accident, August 7, 1967.
64. Hannah, 28, daughter of Christ and Sadie Beiler, Ranks, Sudden death, December 1, 1967.
65. Levi, 21, son of David and Rebecca Zook, New Holland, married Annie Smoker, November 27, 1967, Leukemia, died April 16, 1968.
66. Mary, 17, daughter of Amos and Susie Fisher, Ranks, Brights disease, July 26, 1968.
67. Aaron, 23, son of Ephraim and Rebecca Riehl, Bird-in-Hand, Drowned, July 28, 1968.
68. Chester, 17, son of Henry and Mary Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, Sawmill accident, January 27, 1969.
69. Amos, 29, son of John and Lydia King, Parkesburg, Drowned, August 20, 1969.
70. Fannie, 19, daughter of Emanuel and Sarah Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, Accident, October 29, 1969.
71. David, 24, son of Jacob and Saloma Stoltzfus, Myerstown, Accident, December 16, 1969.
72. Joseph, 18, son of Benjamin and Rebecca Stoltzfus, St. Marys Co., Md., Tractor accident, July 27, 1970.
73. Annie, 18, daughter of David and Emma King, Gordonville, Diabetes, January 23, 1971.
74. Amos, 15, son of Levi and Mary Fisher, Paradise, Run-away team, June 11, 1971.
75. Mervin, 13, son of Phares and Katie Fisher, Kinzers, Accident, June 11, 1971.
76. Jacob, 29, son of David and Bena Glick, New Holland, married Mary Zook, November 5, 1963, Kicked by mule, died October 15, 1971.
77. John, 24, husband of Sarah King, son of Jacob and Mary Herschberger, Kirkwood, Accident, July 5, 1971.
78. John, 24, son of John and Barbara Fisher, Lancaster R4, Diabetes, August 2, 1971.
79. David, 18, son of John and Annie Lapp, Kinzers, Accident, April 16, 1972.
80. Elmer, 17, son of Christ and Mary Riehl, Quarryville R3, Accident, April 16, 1972.

Submitted by Sarah M. Swarey

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## THE HORSE-SHOE NAIL

A farmer once went to market and sold his corn for a large sum of money. He then mounted his horse, and set out early, in order to reach home before night.

At noon, he stopped at a tavern to feed his horse and get dinner. When he was about to start on his journey again, the hostler, as he led out the horse, said, "Sir, the shoe on the left fore foot has lost a nail."

"Never mind that," answered the farmer; "I am in too great haste to attend to it now. The shoe will hold fast enough for the twenty miles that I have yet to travel." So saying he set out on his journey.

In the afternoon, the farmer stopped again to feed his horse; and, as he was sitting in the tavern, the stable-boy came in, and said, "Sir, your horse has lost a nail out of his left front shoe. Shall I take him to the blacksmith's and have one put in?"

"Not now," answered the farmer; "I have only eight miles further to go, and the horse will travel well enough that distance. I have no time to lose."

Away the farmer rode; but he had not gone far, before the shoe was lost, and the horse began to limp. He had not limped long, before he began to stumble; and soon he fell, and broke one of his legs.

Then the farmer was obliged to leave the horse lying in the road, and make his way home, on foot, as well as he could. He lost his way in the woods, and did not get home till late at night. "All my ill-luck," said the farmer to himself, "comes from neglect of a horse-shoe nail."

For want of a nail the shoe was lost;

For want of a shoe the horse was lost;

For want of the horse the man got lost;

And all, for want of a horse-shoe nail.

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## INFLUENCE OF KINDNESS.

Would it not please you to pick up a string of pearls, drops of gold, diamonds, and precious stones, as you pass along the streets? It would make you happy for a month to come. Such happiness you can give to others.

How, do you ask? By dropping sweet words, kind remarks, and pleasant smiles, as you pass along. These are true pearls and precious stones which can never be lost, and of which none can deprive you.

Speak to that orphan child! see the diamonds drop from her cheek. Take the hand of that friendless boy! bright pearls flash in his eyes. Smile on the sad and dejected! a joy suffuses their cheeks more brilliant than the most splendid, precious stones.

By the wayside, amid the city's din, and at the fireside of the poor, drop words and smiles to cheer and bless. You will feel happier when resting on your pillow at the close of day, than if you had picked up a score of perishing diamonds. The latter fade and crumble in time, the former grow brighter with age, and produce reflections forever.

Allensville March 29/96

Bestliebig ein Gruss der Lingen und  
 der Freunde von der Lingen Freunde  
 Abner Joder. Mit Wünschen aller  
 Güter von Gesundheit und Liebe in dieser  
 Zeit und guter menschlicher Zeit. Weiter  
 wir sein noch allen Gott lob und Dank  
 ; gesund alle ganzamäßig gesund  
 - der schreiben wird mich mich gesund  
 antreffen. Weiter ist das dein  
 Brief angekommen. So gesund sind  
 der dein Gesundheit ist ein ganzamäßig  
 zu bekommen. Weiter wird mich  
 glücklich sein zu sein. Will es  
 Morgen schreiben so wir Lingen und  
 der so will. So viel von uns noch  
 Wünschen in dem Leben.  
 noch ein Gruss von dein Bruder  
 John und sein Lieb.  
 - Gedankt ab zu Lingen.

Am Mittwoch ist der Daniel  
 Joder begraben worden - Frey Daniel.

Sind unser ein Gedankt  
 in dem Leben von wir mich  
 gesunden sein in der Gesundheit.

Lebensmutter



# The Hour Glass

Days well spent are drops all shining  
In the waters deep and broad,  
Of Eternity's Great Ocean,  
Every drop is held by God.  
Days well spent are Shining beads  
Scattered in the peaceful road  
Which to happiness will lead us  
To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim



## To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

by Anna L. Fisher

### THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

The earliest arrival of the Schmucker Family was Christian Schmucker who came to this country in 1752, and is the emigrant ancestor of a large and representative family of Amish and Mennonite circles throughout the United States. However, there was a later arrival of Schmuckers from Canton of Bern, Switzerland, who arrived in this country at Philadelphia, in the year 1822 or 1823, under the name of Johannes Schmucker, born 1789, and was married to Mary Klopenshine with whom he had six children, all born in Switzerland. He was ordained a minister while yet in Canton of Bern. After their arrival to America they settled in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, later to Holmes County, Ohio, and still later to LaGrange, Elkhart, and Marshall Counties, Ind., where their descendants represent a very notable and prolific family among the Amish churches of the mid western states. (We may have some more of this family later on.)

Christian Schmucker of our eastern Pennsylvania family was a native of Switzerland, and when he signed his name to the allegiance of the King of Great Britain he wrote it Schmucker, although from this same family the spelling differs, such as Schmucker, Smucker, Smooker, Smoker, and Smucker. He was married to Cathrine Hessler before his arrival to America. They crossed the Atlantic Ocean in the ship St. Andrew controlled by Captain James Abercrombie, which landed at Philadelphia September 23, 1752. As to their first settlement, we are not able to ascertain, but we have reasons to believe they lived in Cumru Township, at the present site of Wyomissing, a distance of several miles from the heart of the city of Reading. Otherwise, it is difficult to see how his wife, Cathrine, and their little grandson, Christian, who was born February 11, 1775, could have carried meals to him while he was imprisoned in the Reading jail during those dark days of the American Revolution.

Christian Schmucker was severely tried, and imprisoned with a number of Amish brethren, for refusing military service, on account of their religious con-

victions, as adherents to the nonresistant faith. They were sentenced to be shot and a day set for the execution. A meeting was held in the Reading prison to administer the Lord's Supper to the condemned brethren. The execution was never carried into effect, through the leading of a kind Providence, friends interfered, particularly Henry Hertzell, pastor of the German Reformed Church, who appealed to the authorities in behalf of those who had fled from Europe to escape military service, and who could not now be expected to do what their conscience forbade them to do in Europe. The appeal was heard and the peace-loving prisoners were set free. Among those released were John Hertzler, Jacob and Stephen Kauffman, Jacob Mast, and Christian Zook.

According to the writing of C. Z. Mast, an old writing is preserved by some of the descendants living in Ohio, stating how old mother Schmucker and her grandson were scorned by the town boys of Reading by throwing stones at them while taking meals to the condemned brethren in prison.

As stated before, the old Schmucker farm is situated within the present suburb limits of Wyomissing, Pennsylvania, and was owned and occupied by the Schmuckers for five generations, the last being Isaac Schmucker, a great-grandson and a Dunkard minister, was the last member to vacate the old homestead, in 1841, when he and his family moved to Ashland Co., Ohio. The Wyomissing Park occupies about all the land that had belonged to the Schmuckers, the barn has been dismantled nearly a half century ago, and the house, built of stone, has been remodeled and restored.

Christian and Cathrine Schmucker had six children to survive, namely: John, Christian, Franny, Barbara, Jacob, and Peter. Most of these children, or maybe all of them were born in Europe, as we do not have the birth dates of all of them. Sometime between the years of 1776 and 1780, Christian Schmucker moved to Earl Township in Lancaster County, Pa., where he purchased several hundred acres of land, the exact location of this land is not definitely known, but is very likely on the north side of the Welsh Mountain, or about two miles southeast of New Holland, around the vicinity of what is called Greenbank,

as there were several Amish families living in that locality at that time. To mention a few were Yost Yoder, who was believed to have been married to a Fisher girl, and second to Mary Seiver, and lived on the Spangler's Mill property at Greenbank. They later moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Others living there were the Christian Summers family and two Hertzler families. Christian Schmucker Sr. died in Earl Township, Lancaster County in 1782. His oldest son, Christian Jr. was supposed to have the farm. Christian Jr. was married to Barbara Garver, a daughter of John Garver of Berks County, and a sister to Elizabeth Garver, who was the first wife of Bishop Christian Stoltzfus, the son of Nicholas Stoltzfus. We, at this writing, have very few records of Christian Schmucker Jr., but we do know he was a large land owner in Earl and Leacock Townships. In 1786 he purchased land from Herman Skiles in Leacock Twp. and also in 1796, he purchased about one hundred and fifty acres, partly in Earl and partly in Leacock Township, from Jacob Ellmaker. The older Ellmakers had purchased this land from William Penn. As far as is known to the writer, the Ellmaker tract was well over three hundred acres, and was situated along both sides of the Peters Road, which divides the townships of Earl and Leacock, it being at the southern end of Earl Township and the northeastern part of Leacock Township. There was an Isaac Smoker and his wife Nancy lived on a farm about one half mile south of New Holland, being the former Christian Blank farm, later owned by his son, the late Benjamin Blank and now owned by Henry Blank and farmed by his son Amos Blank. Isaac and Nancy Smoker were the parents of nine children, namely, Amos D. Smoker, Abraham G., Amanda married to a Mentzer, Louise married to a Watts, Emma E. married to a Wallace, G. Milton, Angeline married to a Brubaker, Ann M. married to a Kinzer, and Eveline died single. Nothing is known to the writer as to the whereabouts of this Smoker family. Abraham G. Smoker purchased the farm after his father Isaac died and had a family of two children, Annie C. Smoker and Lydia K. Smoker. In 1799 Christian Schmucker Jr. and his wife, Barbara, sold their farm in Earl Township to his brother, John Schmucker, who was still living in Berks County, Pa. In 1801 John Schmucker and his wife, Barbara, sold that same farm to a Jacob Hershey, then in 1824 he sold the same farm to John Hershey.

Another son of emigrant Christian and Cathrine Schmucker was Jacob Schmucker, of whom we have no record at this time, although there was a John Smoker, who was married to an Eby girl and lived in Strasburg Township. He died in 1830, and was listed as a tavern owner. They had seven children, namely: Maria, Barbara, Elizabeth, Harriet Jane, Christian, Samuel, and Isaac Eby Smoker. It is believed that this John was either a son of Jacob, or Christian Jr.

Another child of Christian and Cathrine Schmucker was Barbara, married to George Stever, about whom we know nothing at this writing.

Another child of the emigrant Christian Schmucker Sr. was Franny, married to John Blank, a son of Dr.

Hans Blank of Salisbury Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. They had six children; (1) Cathrine Blank, married to Jacob Yoder; (2) Magdalena Blank, died single at old age; (3) Barbara Blank, married to Jacob Resser, or Risser, they were of the Amish faith, one of their daughters named Barbara was married to Deacon Christian Hertzler of the Conestoga Valley, another was Magdalena, married to John Hertzler of the same place.

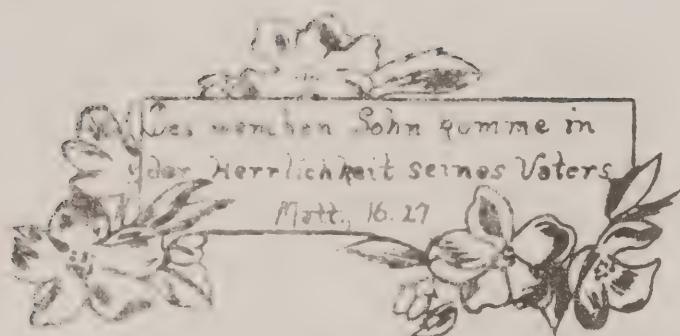
The youngest child of the emigrant Christian Schmucker was Peter, married to Margart Kinzer of Earl Township. They lived in the vicinity of Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania, and had eight children, namely: Cathrine, Elizabeth, John, Sarah, Peter, Henry, Margaret, and Mary. This family is mostly affiliated with the United Brethren, Methodist, and Presbyterian Churches.

Another child of the emigrant Christian Sr. and Cathrine Schmucker is John Schmucker, born Sept. 24, 1740, in Switzerland, died in 1809, aged 69 years, married to Barbara Stoltzfus, who died in 1838, at the farm where Pre. Amos L. Smucker now lives, in Leacock Township, both are buried in Myers Cemetery. It appears that John Schmucker and his family lived on the old Schmucker homestead in Cumru Township, or, at Wyomissing a few miles southwest of Reading, till about 1807 or 1808. or just a year or so before he died, just where he was located when he moved to Lancaster County is not known to the writer. His wife, Barbara Stoltzfus, was a daughter of the emigrant, Nicholas Stoltzfus, who came to America in 1766.

John and Barbara Schmucker had a family of thirteen children, as follows: (1) Christian, married to Elizabeth Stutzman, second to Fanny Lebengut, or Livingood; (2) Jacob, born July 9, 1776, died young; (3) Cathrine, married to Jacob Swartzentruber; (4) John, married Anna King; (5) Barbara, born Sept. 20, 1781, died young; (6) Frony, married Solomon King; (7) Jacob, married Mary Fisher; (8) Peter, married Fanny Zook; (9) Joseph married Magdalena Zook; (10) Daniel, married Barbara Lapp; (11) Isaac, born December 30, 1791, died young; (12) David, married Mary Lapp; (13) Solomon, married Mary Zook.

The oldest in the family, Christian, born Feb. 11, 1775 in Berks County, Pennsylvania, died April 21, 1857 at Smithville, Ohio, married to Elizabeth Stutzman, who died in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, he married second to Fanny Livingood, she died in Wayne County, Ohio at the age of 89 years. This Christian Schmucker was born and raised in Berks County, Pa. They, with their family, moved from Berks County to Lancaster County about the same time as their parents did, on the farm in Leacock Township now owned by John B. Stoltzfus of Ronks R1, about one half mile north of the present site of Gordonville. In 1812 when the burial ground was purchased from Jacob Weaver, known as Gordonville Cemetery, by some Amish brethren, Christian Schmucker and John Lapp were appointed as the first caretakers.





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began barking over in the woods a little ways. Mr. Cox remarked that the animal had evidently treed a squirrel and that if he continued barking until breakfast was over, he would go out and bring the chattering mite back for dinner. The barking did continue and Mr. Cox shouldered his gun and started off into the woods, leaving his wife and children at the breakfast table. He didn't get the squirrel and returned to the cabin by a different route from the one he had taken going up. When he got back home he casually inquired for the boys. The mother hadn't seen them after they left the breakfast table and a look about the little clearing around the house soon made it evident that the lads had attempted to follow their father into the mountains after the squirrel.

#### 3,000 Searchers Out

Another day came and the search was continued without success. Night fell again and was turned into day by the many beacon lights which searchers kept going on the hills. Still no success.

The parents were heartbroken and had given up all hopes of ever seeing their children alive again. News of the Bedford County horrors had by this time spread itself all over the State and from every section of the country additional searchers were arriving daily. It was said that fully 3,000 people were at one time engaged in the hunt. For hours, without food or sleep, these willing people trudged the mountain over, tearing their clothes in the brambles, and scratching their hands and faces on briars, but never complaining, thinking only of two little babes in the woods who needed their help and sympathy.

#### False Accuser Routed

As in the somewhat parallel Charley Ross case, there arose the heartless accuser who intimated that the parents had murdered their own children. I remember him well and the indignation of the thousands of people who heard his accusation. He got away from Spruce Hollow with a few kindred spirits just in time to avoid a coat of tar and feathers, if not a lynching. Giving the woefully lame reason that the parents had killed the little ones with the idea of securing money from compassionate neighbors, this false accuser insisted upon taking up the floor of the Cox cabin and digging at several places where the family's supply of winter vegetables was cached. He vanished from the scene almost as quickly as he had come, but not before he had wrought terrible havoc upon the hearts of the grief stricken parents.

#### Children's tracks Discovered

It was one day shortly after this terrible accusation had been exploded, that one of the most promising clues of the entire search was found in the shape of tracks of the children in the sands on the mountain, about ten miles from the Cox home. The news of the finding of these tracks spread as rapidly as had spread the news of the loss of the children and soon hundreds of searchers had gazed on marks, which were unmistakably those of little shoes and had started off again with fresh enthusiasm. Their high hopes were soon dashed to the ground, however, for the tracks lost themselves in the depths of the forest and the faithful hunters were more discouraged than ever.

During these three or four days which had elapsed since the children wandered away from home, the search for them had been carried on in a systematic manner. Each day it had been the custom to appoint a captain to direct and lead in the work.

Like skirmishers, the vast party was thrown out across the mountain and proceeded carefully, scanning each foot of the way, looking at the base of each tree, and investigating each nook and cranny which might offer the children shelter from the Spring's cold and rain. These careful efforts should have been attended with some results, but were not, and the minds of some of the searchers began to turn to witchcraft and sorcery, commonly believed in in those days, as the only way left to be tried.

#### Witchcraft Finally Resorted To

The Coxes were opposed to all forms of witchcraft and their neighbors and sympathizers who were helping in the search respected their wishes that more sensible methods be pursued until every other effort to find the youngsters had proved unavailing.

Then they hunted up the dealers in the things of the future. An old colored man who lived in Morrison's Cove, not far away, had established a reputation as somewhat of a magician, in that he had been able to locate water with a peach twig. He was confident that he could soon lead the way to the lost children but the peach twig refused to work and he had to abandon the search in favor of an old Somerset County witch whose spells and charms were said to be able to sway the country for miles around. With mutterings and motions, she started hobbling up the mountain on her staff, a whole crowd of people at her heels. On and on she went, resting here and there and claiming that she was on the right road and that she could already see the lost babes. Eventually she was forced to admit her deception and said that she, too, was lost in the mountain. Those with her who lived in the locality got her to the Cox home and sent her on her way.

#### Superhuman Hand Intervened

It was on the tenth night after the children were lost that a hand unquestionably stronger than the human hand was stretched out to help the suffering Cox family, who had long since felt certain that their little sons were dead, but could not reconcile themselves to the tots lying in an unknown place in the mountains, the probable prey of wild animals.

The supernatural influence worked through one Jacob Dibert, who lived some twelve or thirteen miles away from the Cox home. Mr. Dibert knew little or nothing about that section of the mountain and had taken no part in the search for the lost children. On the tenth night, however, he dreamed that he was out on the mountain alone looking for them. In his dream wanderings he came to a dead deer. Further on he came to a little shoe. Next he came to a large stream over which, at one of its narrowest points, a fallen tree had made a natural bridge. This, in his dream, he crossed and entered a little ravine, through which flowed a small brook tumbling down from a mountain gorge. Out along this stream, Mr. Dibert dreamed, he wandered until he came to a large birch tree whose roots spread themselves about in a semi-circle and in this semi-circle, lying on the very edge of the brook, the dream figures of the lost children lay cold and still in death.

#### A Thrice-Repeated Dream

Mr. Dibert was not a superstitious man and he placed no confidence in the strange revelation. He did, however, talk to his wife about the matter and learned that she knew of a place in the mountains near the Cox home which would fit the description of the place he saw in his dream to a nicety. The second night he had the same dream, each little detail of the search being repeated. He was more impressed than before, but still hesitated to tell his neighbors about the dream for fear they might declare him crazy. The third night came and with the same dream. He came up the same hollow, passed again the dead deer, saw again the little worn shoe, crossed the creek on the same fallen log, entered the same ravine where the mountain waters tumbled down, and just as surely again came upon the thin, emaciated bodies of the two children lying in the semi-circle of the big birch roots.

#### Tale Skeptically Received

The dream could no longer be disregarded, argued Mr. Dibert, and the next day he started for the home of his brother-in-law, Harrison Whyson, some twelve miles away, which was in the locality in which the dream seemed to say the children would be found. Whyson skeptically listened to the story of the dream, then started to pick its possibilities to pieces. He said there was, indeed, a place like the one described some five or six miles from the Cox home in the very heart of the mountains. He said, however, that such a thing as the children having traveled that far was ridiculous. For a long time Mr. Whyson tried to dissuade Mr. Dibert from following the behests of his thrice repeated dream, but, failing in this, reluctantly consented to guide him to the place he knew as the one seen in the dream.

#### Dream's Behest Followed

On the morning of the 8th of May, 1856, fourteen days after the children had been lost, Mr. Dibert and Mr. Whyson started out to find them. Mr. Dibert directed the course from his dream scene and Mr. Whyson accompanied him for fear of his becoming lost in the mountains. The first favorable sign of

particular note was the dead deer lying in the two men's path. Further on they found the little worn shoe. The creek with the fallen tree across it proved to be Bob's Creek. Over Blue Ridge they went and into the little ravine, just as Mr. Dibert claimed to have seen the way in his dreams. Gradually the country became more open until the pair could see quite a distance ahead. "This," said Mr. Dibert, "is just like I saw it in my dream; and if my dream is true, we will soon be at the place. Do you see that tree with the broken top on the edge of the stream? if my dream is true, that is a birch tree and the boys are lying at the roots of it."

#### The Little Lads Found

The tree was indeed a birch tree and at its base, in the semicircle of roots, did lie the worn and emaciated bodies of the two lost children. The little bodies were found about 11 o'clock in the morning and the news had spread itself the country over by night. In a steady stream, interested people journeyed to the scene of the find. As each one arrived he took a position as near as possible to the dead children, and solemnly awaited the coming of the grief-stricken father. The father had to be assisted to the place. Once there, he bent over the little forms and wept bitterly. Physicians who saw the remains said the children had died of starvation some three or four days before they were found. They had evidently wandered far. Their clothes were worn to shreds and their bodies were thin and wasted. Joseph, the youngest one, had evidently died first. George, always his brother's protector, had taken a little smooth stone from the brook babbling close by, put his hat upon it, and put it under Joseph's head for a pillow.

#### Five Thousand People at the Funeral

As soon after the finding of the bodies as was possible, a sled was taken to the place and the remains taken to their parents' home, six or seven miles away. They were kept there until the following Sunday, when they were buried in the Mount Union Cemetery. Their funeral was the largest ever known in that section of the State, being attended by about 5,000 people, many of them from Bedford, some from Johnstown, and still others from as far away as Pittsburgh.

The remains of both children were put in one coffin. Their resting place is marked with a modest little tombstone purchased with the \$50.00 reward which some one had offered for the finding of the bodies but which Messrs. Dibert and Whyson donated for that purpose. The little stone tells the pathetic tale of the children's tragedy in these words:

George S.,

Born March 30th, 1849

And

Joseph C.,

Born Oct. 29th, 1850

Sons of Samuel and Susannah Cox. Wandered from home April 24, 1856, and were found dead in the woods May 8th, of the same year, by Jacob Dibert and Harrison Whyson, Bedford, Pa.



## A TRUE STORY

David Eschs'

Experience of the 14 day hunt for the Cox boys, in  
the wilds of the Allegheny Mountains  
Written by David and Fanny (Kanagy) Esch  
Juniata County, Pennsylvania

April 24, 1856. Two boys, Joseph and George  
Cox, became lost in one of the wildest sections of  
the Allegheny mountains.

To the stranger who happens along the wild  
country roads in Cambria and Bedford counties, even  
to this day, it will be apparent how it was possible  
for two youngsters of such tender years to get lost  
in the mountain and waste away their lives while  
wandering about in search of home, food, and parents.  
If the stranger has been in Bedford County in the  
vicinity of Spruce Hollow more than twenty four hours  
and has driven one of these mountain roads, it is  
safe to assert that he has thought of the story of the  
Cox children. If he has much passed the fifty-year-  
mark on life's journey and has lived east of the  
Mississippi all his life, he will recall the exciting  
incidents of the fourteen days the two little ones  
spent in the mountains before they were found. Per-  
haps he'll drive along musing upon the grandeur of  
the scenery about him and wondering why the moun-  
tain's vastness could be so beautiful yet so cruel  
as to claim, without cause or reason, two young  
lives. His horse may also muse and go so slow that  
night makes it necessary for him to put up at one of  
the many comfortable farmhouses near the scene of  
the Cox children's most unfortunate and pathetic  
episode. He'll be received with a hospitality which  
rivals that of the famous F.F.V's. His horse will be  
put up in a warm, well built barn. He will be given

a tempting supper of plain and simple foods. After  
the evening meal, if he smokes, he'll be invited to  
pull his chair up to the kitchen fire, light his pipe,  
and mingle its fumes with that of the hospitable,  
whitehaired host who had just married Martha about  
the time the Cox children strayed off into the moun-  
tains. He'll be told this story, which is retailed to  
all willing listeners who visit those parts.

still wilder when my father's father came to these  
parts from the pioneer Dutch settlements of the State  
about Lancaster. No, I don't just know what ever  
made him select this barren, mountain wilderness as  
a place to rear his children—probably the freedom  
suggested by these wild mountain peaks, and thunder-  
ing streams, had captured him body and soul after  
his life in the rather cramped quarters of the Father-  
land. Whatever that reason was, I know that his  
sons after him and their sons after them have been  
wedded to the soil and, methinks, sons and sons  
after us will find Bedford County, with its rough,  
simple life, good enough for them and theirs.

## Coxes Married in Johnstown

Yes, I recall the incident of the Cox children  
quite distinctly. I was a strapping robust boy of  
nineteen who had just assumed the cares of a wife  
and household. I remember the Coxes—Mr. and Mrs.  
Samuel Cox—had been married in Johnstown a couple  
of years before and had lived there until two sons  
were born to them. They went out west, I believe,  
to the State of Indiana in 1851. Things weren't the  
same there in that low malaria breeding country, they  
soon found out. The two youngsters sickened and  
almost died. The parents lived for the boys alone  
and hurried back to the life-giving air of the Alleghenies  
to nurse the youngsters back to health. They  
took a place over in Spruce Hollow which seemed as  
though nothing but rocks would grow on it.

## Bedford Air Saved Youngsters

The mountain air did for the boys just what the  
parents had hoped it would. They were growing strong-  
er and robust and were bright and sharp as crickets.  
George, aged seven years, was the elder. He had  
dark hair and blue eyes. Joseph, his junior by two  
years, had locks of lighter hue and eyes of gray.  
Both youngsters, probably on account of their illness  
in the West, were rather small for their age. They  
were the most brotherly of brothers, each seeming to  
delight in the other's company. George always had  
such a care for Joseph, that as they went from place  
to place he led the little fellow by the hand.

The Coxes were well thought of the country over  
and their two little boys were the pets of the com-  
munity.

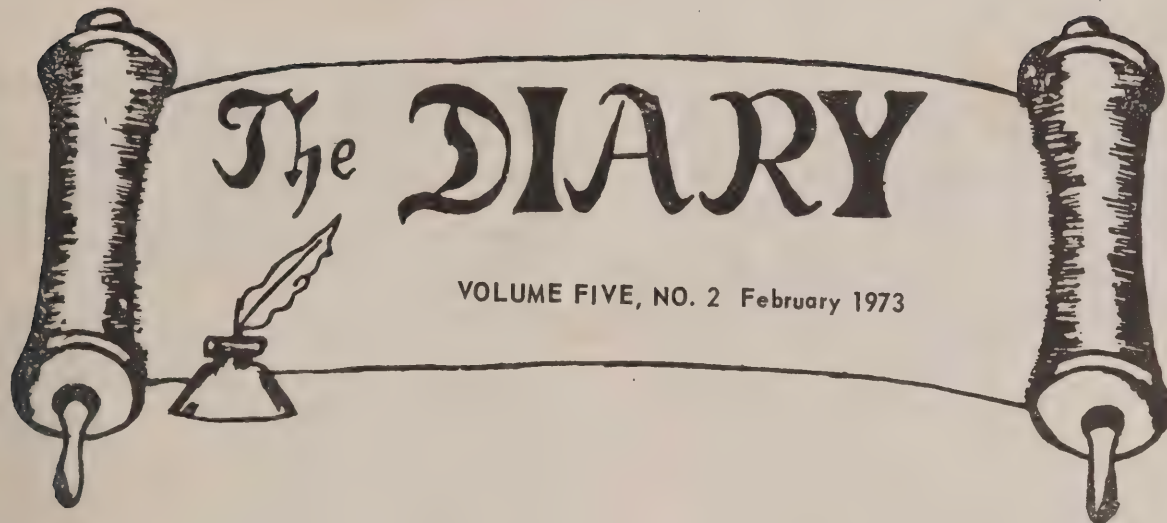
## Strayed from Breakfast Table

The 24th day of April, 1856, was a Thursday; the  
dawn of the spring day unusually gray and chilly.  
Well I remember how the cold north winds cut through  
me, warm clad as I was, when I joined the frenzied  
party of searchers that day. The Coxes breakfasted  
together at their usual hour. They were at the table—  
father, mother, and two children—when the family dog

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**OHIO WOMAN BURNED IN HOUSE FIRE**  
(Reprint from THE BUDGET, by Perry J. Miller,  
Fredericksburg, Ohio)

My wife is recovering from severe burns she suffered on February 2nd when lighting a gasoline lamp. The palms of her hands are healing and skin grafting will not be needed there. The outside of her hands, her chest and face are all badly burned and may need some skin grafting. It was not until the 17th that her condition was good enough that she could tell me how it happened. She had a gasoline lamp standing on the stove. The lamp had a large tank with nothing holding the tank except a small rod through which the gasoline passed. She attempted to straighten the rod while lighting the light and the rod broke. Gasoline was blown over her chest and face and the kitchen and it ignited from the match. Three of the children were in the house at the time. She and the children left the house and closed all the doors, which helped to save the house. Betty went for the fire house, which is only 400 feet from our house. Ten-year-old Elnora helped to put the fire out on her mother. Mother rolled out toward the barn to get me to help, but then realized that if she came to the barn she would set that on fire too, and started rolling back again. Another daughter, Betty, got a blanket from the buggy and put it over her and the flames were finally extinguished. John Mark was in the barn getting hay down and I was in the silo throwing down silage. Being a fireman, when the whistle blew I went down the silo and ran for the fire house, not knowing where the fire was, but soon found out that my wife was badly burned and our house was on fire. Twenty minutes after the whistle blew my wife was in Wooster hospital.

NOTICE - This issue of "The Diary" is somewhat later than usual due to the death of my mother, which came rather unexpectedly on Monday evening, March 12. An obituary will follow in the next issue.

Sara E. Fisher, Typist

**8-MONTH-OLD CHILD**

**STRANGLING IN HIGH CHAIR**

Aaron B. Glick, son of Eli K. and Sadie (Zook) Glick, Quarryville R3, Pa., was strangled by the belt on his high chair about 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14. The boy had been placed in the chair and then strapped in with the belt that is made for the chair. The boy apparently slipped down under the tray part of the chair until the belt caught him under the chin and strangled him. Both parents were working in their barn at the time.  
(See obituary)

**8 HOMELESS AFTER HOUSE FIRE**

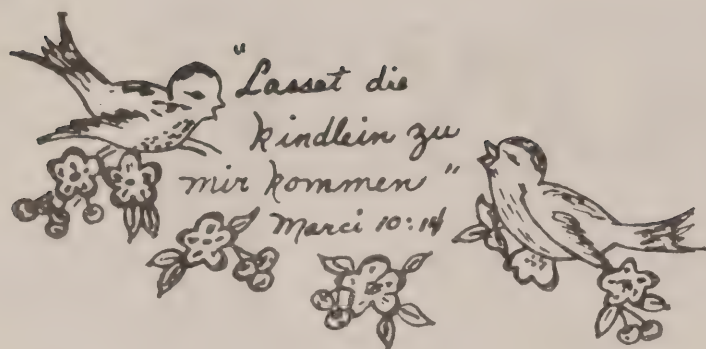
**IN CUMBERLAND CO., PA.**

The Gideon Fisher Family of Newburg R1, Pa., lost their house and all the contents when fire destroyed their home on Tuesday afternoon, February 28. They were getting ready to leave for Lancaster, and wanted to dry some clothes around the coal stove, when the clothes caught fire. Barbara grabbed a fire extinguisher and thought she had it about out, when it ran empty. She was alone with three small children, including three-month old twins. She ran for help and when she came back it was on fire again. It kept her busy to save the children. They lost everything except the washing machine.

**PENNA. BARN FIRE**

The barn at the farm of Moses Stoltzfoos, Irish-town Road, Ronks R1, Pa., was damaged by fire early Saturday morning, March 3. A herd of 30 dairy cows and 8 horses were rescued. About 1000 bails of hay and several pieces of farm machinery were lost. The fire apparently started in the loft of the bank barn where hay was stored. Firemen were able to stop the flames from spreading to the ground level where the livestock was stabled. Suddenness of the fire and an open door have led firemen to suspect arson.





## BIRTHS

### Dover, Delaware

BEACHY, Herman D. (Susie Mast)  
a son BENNY, February 13  
DETWEILER, Henry Jr. (Barbara Ann Byler)  
a daughter SYLVIA, February 21

### St. Mary's County, Maryland

STOLTZFUS, Sam J. (Lena Hertzler) Mechanicsville  
a son TOBIAS, February 6  
SWAREY, Mose (Nancy Zook) Charlotte Hall  
a son BENNIE, February 19

### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Aaron E. (Malinda M. King) Gordonville R1  
a daughter RUTH ANN, February 7  
BEILER, Jacob E. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1  
a son JOHN PAUL, February 8  
EBERSOL, Samuel (Leah Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter SUSIANN, February 26  
ESH, David (Annie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter RACHEL, February 18  
ESH, David B. (Mary F. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a son LLOYD, February 9  
ESH, J. Daniel (Anna Huyard) Paradise R1  
a son ELAM H., February 26  
ESH, Reuben K. (Malinda Fisher) Quarryville R3  
a son JOHN F., February 13  
ESH, Samuel I. (Mary Ann Lapp) Gordonville R1  
a son AMOS L., February 2  
FISHER, Bennie L. (Emma King) Paradise R1  
a daughter RUTH K., February 7  
FISHER, Melvin M. (Elsie Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a daughter SUSANN, February 13  
FISHER, Samuel S. Jr. (Rachel Smucker) 33N. Ronks Rd.  
a son SAMUEL J., February 13  
FISHER, Stephen E. (Sarah E. King) Quarryville R3  
a son DAVID ALLEN, February 1  
GLICK, Gideon S. (Lizzie K. Esh) Leola R1  
a daughter BARBARA E., February 17  
GLICK, Isaiah (Ariana Stoltzfus) 2409 Horseshow Rd.,  
Lancaster, a son EMANUEL, February 13  
GLICK, Joel K. (Lizzie E. Riehl) Quarryville R3  
a daughter, February 18, died next day  
KAUFFMAN, Samuel D. (Mary Ann Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1  
a daughter LINDA FAY, February 11  
KING, Benjamin B. Jr. (Melinda Stoltzfus) Honey Brook  
R2, a son DANIEL U., February 21  
KING, Bennie B. (Rebecca S. Zook) Paradise R1  
a son HENRY Z., February 25

KING, Benuel (Lena S. Lapp) 171 Quarry Rd., Leola  
a daughter LINDA, February 11  
KING, Benuel K. (Barbara L. Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter MARY, February 21  
KING, Christian G. (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3  
a daughter FANNIE, February 22  
KING, Jacob M. (Emma Esh) Narvon R1  
a son SAMUEL E., February 19  
KING, Jacob S. (Emma F. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter MALINDA, February 7  
PETERSHEIM, Stephen M. (Mary Riehl) Narvon R2  
a daughter LYDIA MAE, February 27  
RIEHL, Amos S. (Annie Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1  
a daughter FREIDA MARIE, January 3  
RIEHL, Jacob (Rebecca Glick) Honey Brook R2  
a son ELAM G., February 14  
STOLTZFUS, Amos N. (Sarah E. Stoltzfus) Nottingham  
R2, a daughter SUSIE, February 14  
STOLTZFUS, David F. (Elizabeth R. Stoltzfus) Kinzers  
R1, a daughter SUSIE S., February 27  
STOLTZFUS, Eli (Annie Miller) Christiana R1  
a son IVAN F., February 18  
STOLTZFUS, Eli S. (Mary K. King) Christiana R1  
a son CHRISTIE, February 18  
STOLTZFUS, Ivan L. (Rebecca B. Fisher) New Holland  
R2, a son MELVIN, February 28  
STOLTZFUS, John M. (Barbara E. Fisher) 29 Stoltzfus  
Lane, Leola, a son THOMAS F., February 4  
STOLTZFUS, Leroy B. (Sarah S. Zook) Paradise R1  
a son DANIEL, February 13  
STOLTZFUS, Levi L. (Katie K. Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a daughter ANNIE, February 18  
STOLTZFUS, Samuel K. (Lovina S. Kauffman) 2050  
Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a dau. FANNIE K., Feb. 21

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

SMOKER, Eli K. (Fannie Lantz) Myerstown R2  
a son AMOS, February 21

### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Levi K. (Molly Yoder)  
a son JOHN, February 7  
YODER, Korie L. (Anna Weaver)  
a son DAVID M., February 12

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WENGERD, Samuel (Hettie Peachey) Belleville  
a son AMMON, February 22

### Indiana County, Pennsylvania

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Allen E.  
a daughter ADA, January 27  
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Owen A.  
a daughter ANNA, January 14

### Geauga County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, Daniel (Betty M. Miller)  
a daughter, February 24  
BYLER, Harvey W. (Marie A. Miller)  
a son DANIEL, February 20  
MILLER, Andy M. (Betty A. Byler)  
a daughter SARAH ANN, February 10  
YODER, Dan D. (Elizabeth J. Byler)  
a son MAHLON, February 13

### Holmes County, Pennsylvania

BURKHOLDER, Jonas P. (Catharine Troyer)  
a son ROBERT, February 8  
BURKHOLDER, Willis D. (Betty Raber) Millersburg R4  
a daughter LAURA MAE, February 6  
HOSTETLER, Jonas E. (Sarah A. Mast) Fredericksburg  
a daughter MABEL, February 2  
KEIM, Roy (Mary Troyer)  
a son STEVEN, January 26  
MAST, Willis N. (Mattie Yoder)  
a daughter NAOMI, in January  
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli A.  
a son JACOB,  
MILLER, Eli D. (Sevilla Barkman)  
a son MARVIN, in January  
MILLER, Henry E. (Mary Troyer)  
a son ANDREW, February 1  
MILLER, Jonas S. (Mary Yoder) Millersburg R4  
a daughter MARIE, February 21  
MILLER, Roman E. (Bena Yoder) Sugarcreek R2  
a son ALLEN,  
RABER, Jonas E. (Barbara Yoder)  
a son ANDY, February 26  
SCHLABACH, Roman S. (Katie Miller)  
a son CRIST, February 23  
TROYER, Abe M. (Emma Yoder)  
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TROYER, Henry (Mary Schlabach)  
a daughter SARAH, February 4  
TROYER, Henry M. (Ella J. Troyer) Millersburg R5  
a daughter SUSIE, February 3  
WEAVER, Mose M. (Carol Mast) Millersburg R4  
a son TIMOTHY RAY  
WEAVER, Robert B. (Katie L. Hochstetler) Millersburg  
R1, a son DAVID, February 7  
YODER, Andy D. (Emma Miller) Holmesville R1  
a daughter MARY ANN, February 7  
YODER, Neal N. (Esther Miller)  
a son JAMES, in February

### Ashland, Ohio

BYLER, Eli J. (Edith Troyer) Ashland R1  
a daughter JUDY, January 14  
MAST, Marvin (Ella Miller) Ashland R1  
a son LEROY, February 6

### New Haven, Indiana

SCHWARTZ, Rudy (Lydiann Schwartz)  
a son NATHAN, February 2

### Adams County, Indiana

GRABER, Ruben (Eana Miller)  
a daughter ANNA, February 21  
SCHWARTZ, Amos L. (Emma Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a daughter ROSIE  
SCHWARTZ, John P. (Rachel Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter ELIZABETH, January 28  
SCHWARTZ, Walter F. (Miriam Girod) Berne R1  
a daughter RHODA, February 1  
TROYER, Jue E. (Mary Christner) Geneva R1  
a daughter KATHRYN, February 8  
WICKEY, Aaron (Melinda Schwartz) Monroe R1.  
a son DAVID, February 21

### LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Abe W. (Anna Graber) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter WILMA A., January 24  
BONTRAGER, Amos (Mattie Miller) LaGrange R4  
a daughter ESTHER A., February 9  
BONTRAGER, John M. (Esther Miller) Topeka R1  
a son LaVERN J., February 10  
BONTRAGER, Samuel D. (Wilma Miller)  
a son SAMUEL JUNIOR, January 27  
FRY, Benjamin (Leanna Bontrager) Topeka R2  
a son LARRY B., in February  
FRY, Harvey (Edna Garver) Ligonier R1  
a son MARTIN DALE, January 24  
HOCHSTEDLER, Levi (Katie Raber) Topeka R2  
a daughter DOROTHY, February 8  
JONES, Larry D. (Mary Ellen Bontrager) Shipshewana  
R1, a daughter BARBARA KAY, January 30  
LAMBRIGHT, Cletus (Larine Schlabach) Topeka R1  
a daughter VALERIE, February 14  
LEHMAN, Floyd D. (Martha E. Miller) LaGrange R1  
a son FREEMAN A., January 28  
MILLER, Alvin H. (Emma Miller) Topeka R2  
a son MARION JAY, January 31  
MILLER, Crist (Katie Miller) Topeka R2  
a son HERMAN, February 1  
MILLER, Floyd (Mary Ellen Lehman) Ligonier R3  
a daughter LEONA KAY, February 12  
MULLET, LeRoy H. (Lizzie Ann Raber) LaGrange R4  
a daughter NANCY ANN, February 7  
SCHROCK, Ora (Mary Lambright) LaGrange R4  
a son VERNON O., February 15  
WEAVER, Calvin (Mary Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a daughter ESTHER MARIE, February 18  
WHETSTONE, Perry J. (Mary Graber) LaGrange R2  
a son SAMUEL P., February 12  
YODER, Orla W. (Carolyn Yoder) Topeka R1  
a daughter RUTH ANN, February 16



## BIRTHS, Continued

Cashton, Wisconsin  
 MILLER, David J. (Rosa Schrock) Cashton R2  
 a daughter LYDIA,

Arthur, Illinois  
 OTTO, Omer (Irene Jess)  
 a son EDWIN EUGENE, in January

Milton, Iowa  
 MILLER, Sam J. (Leona Miller)  
 a daughter DENA SUE, February 2

Buchanan County, Iowa  
 BEECHY, Jerry (Vernie Helmuth) Hazleton  
 a son HARLEY, February 24  
 GINGERICH, Dan E. (Ida Yutzky) Hazleton  
 a daughter ADA, February 6  
 RABER, Abe C. (Katie Helmuth) Fairbank  
 a son EMANUEL, February 17  
 RABER, Roman C. (Emma Hershberger) Fairbank  
 a son, February 24

Jamesport, Missouri  
 GINGERICH, Monroe A. (Elva Hostetler)  
 a daughter SARAH JANE, February 8  
 KRAMER, Vernon R. (Rebecca Graber)  
 a daughter EDNA FAYE, February 7  
 MAST, Amos A. (Wilma Ropp)  
 a daughter RHODA, February 5  
 MAST, Jonas A. (Wilma Bontrager)  
 a son RAYMOND, February 27  
 SCHROCK, Elvon C. (Rosie Graber)  
 a son VERNON, February 18  
 TROYER, Vernon J. (Mary Hershberger)  
 a son DELBERT, February 18

Pike County, Missouri  
 EICHER, Henry M. (Annie Mast) Bowling Green R3  
 a daughter KATIE, February 20  
 SCHROCK, Joseph M. (Rachel Eicher) Curryville R2  
 a daughter WILMA, February 1  
 SCHWARTZ, Jerry S. (Marie Eicher) Curryville R2  
 a son AMOS, February 23  
 SCHWARTZ, Samuel S. Jr. (Lydia H. Troyer) Bowling  
 Green R3, a son MELVIN, February 21  
 YODER, William G. (Susan Bontrager) Curryville R2  
 a son DANIEL, February 13

Aylmer, Ontario  
 EICHER, LeRoy (Sarah Troyer)  
 a son MELVIN, February 7  
 GASCHO, Joe (Rosemary Wagler)  
 a daughter NAOMI, February 5  
 WAGLER, Edwin (Catherine Wagler)  
 a son PETER, February 10

Guaimaca, Honduras  
 SCHMUCKER, Vernon (Katie Hochstetler)  
 a son ANDREW, February 15  
 STOLL, Abner (Pollyanna Troyer) an adopted son,  
 JOSHUA, five months old, February 17  
 STOLL, Ira (Lizzie Martin)  
 a son MICHAEL, February 5

Crawford County, Pennsylvania  
 TROYER, Joe and Anna, Conneautville R1  
 a daughter JOANNA, February 12

Conewango Valley, New York  
 DETWEILER, Noah B. (Mattie Y. Miller)  
 a daughter KATIE, February 8  
 MILLER, Isaac L. (Mary Y. Miller)  
 a son LEVI, January 28  
 MILLER, Levi I. (Nancy D. Miller)  
 a daughter LIZZIE, January 31

Bronson, Michigan  
 HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace  
 a daughter AMANDA, February 18

## OBITUARIES

BEILER, Infant daughter of Amos E., Kirkwood, Pa.  
 The infant daughter of Amos E. and Rachel K. (Lapp) Beiler of Kirkwood R1, Pa., was stillborn at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital Sunday, February 11. In addition to her parents, she is survived by her paternal grandparents, Ben R. and Mary Beiler, Kirkwood R1; maternal grandparents, Joseph and Annie Lapp, Quarryville R1, and a maternal great-grandfather, Isaac King, Leola.

Burial was at Fisher's Cemetery where services were held by Bishop David Riehl.

GLICK, Aaron, 8 mo., Quarryville R3, Pa.

son of Eli K. and Sadie B. (Zook) Glick, was strangled by the belt on his high chair Feb. 14. (see front page) Besides his parents, the child is survived by maternal grandparents, Joshua and Nancy (Beiler) Zook, Quarryville R3, and paternal grandfather, Abner R. Glick, Gap R1.

Funeral services were held by Emanuel Zook and Aaron S. King; hymn by Dea. Levi Esh; at graveyard, hymn by Jacob E. Fisher; abscheid by Joel Zook; burial was at Bart Cemetery.

GLICK, Infant daughter of Joel K., Quarryville R3

The infant daughter of Joel K. and Lizzie E. (Riehl) Glick, Quarryville R3, Pa. died Monday, Feb. 19, at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital, seven hours after birth. Surviving besides her parents, are six brothers and sisters: Ephraim, Hannah, Omar, Aaron, Ammon, and Joel, all at home; her maternal grandparents, Ephraim and Rebecca Riehl; and paternal grandparents, Abner and Hannah Glick.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Bishop John S. Glick; graveside services were conducted by Ephraim Riehl; burial was in Bart Cemetery.

GRABER, Lovina D., 3½ mo., Geneva R2, Ind.

daughter of David R. and Katherine (Zook) Graber, was born Nov. 3, 1972, died at her home at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, February 18, following a short illness. Death was caused by acute pneumonia. Surviving are the parents; a sister, Anna; and five brothers, Reuben, Eli, David, Christian, and Samuel, all at home; the grandparents, Pre. and Mrs. Reuben Graber, and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Zook, both of Geneva R2. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

**HERSHBERGER, Emmuel, 88, of Kenton R5, Ohio**  
died Sunday, January 21, at his home following an illness of one week. He was born in LaGrange Co. October 18, 1884, the son of Joni and Catherine (Berlincourt) Hershberger. He was married to Polly Lehman, who preceded him in death April 10, 1959. Surviving are four daughters, Katy Lehman of Topeka, Mattie Miller and Mary Gingerich, both of Middlebury, and Amilia Whetstone of Curryville, Mo.; two sons, Reuben of Bronson, Mich., and Joni of Kenton R5, Ohio; 46 grandchildren and 85 great-grandchildren. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery near LaGrange.

**MARNER, Jake, 71, of Middlebury R1, Indiana**  
died Thursday, February 15, in the Goshen General Hospital where he had been a patient three weeks. He was born November 26, 1901, near Kokomo, where he resided until moving to the Middlebury area in 1920. He was married December 31, 1920, to Mary Hostetler, who survives. Also surviving are four sons, Edward of Shipshewana, Leroy of Springboro, Pa., Robert of Decatur, Ill., and George of Goshen; three daughters, Mrs. Clarence Beachy of Manito, Mich., Mrs. Richard Kehr of Millersburg and Viola Marner at home; a brother, Emanuel of Lancaster, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. Joel Garber of Goshen; 42 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Ervin C. Miller home by Bishop Alton Bontrager, Bishop Lloyd Miller and Min. Wilbur Yoder. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**MAST, Levi L., 90, of Topeka R2, Indiana**  
died Sunday, February 11, in his home following a long illness. He was born in Holmes County, Ohio, May 21, 1882, the son of Levi H. and Elizabeth (Miller) Mast. He moved to LaGrange County in 1912. He was married in Arthur, Ill., February 2, 1905, to Susan Gingerich, who preceded him in death. His second marriage was to Mary Mast January 6, 1957. She survives. Also surviving are eight sons, Ervin and Samuel of LaGrange, Edward of Topeka R2, Daniel of Millersburg, Henry of Middlebury, Uriah of Sarasota, Fla., John of Franklin, N. C., and Melvin of Phoenix, Ariz.; three daughters, Mrs. Lewis (Mary) Troyer and Mrs. David (Ada) Yoder of Middlebury and Mrs. Alvin (Anna) Miller of Ligonier; 63 grandchildren and 67 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Joni B. Miller; burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**SCHLABACH, Susan, 77, of Millersburg R5, Ohio**  
wife of Harvey J. Schlabach, died February 8, at her home. She was born March 16, 1895, a daughter of Emanuel J. and Lovina (Miller) Gingerich. Surviving are her husband; a son, Emanuel H. of Millersburg R5; four daughters, Mrs. Ura (Mattie) Troyer of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Ervin (Ella) Mullet of LaGrange, Ind., Mrs. Monroe (Mary) Miller of Ethridge, Tenn. and Mrs. Roy (Amanda) Wengerd of Millersburg R5; three sisters, Mrs. Mattie Yoder and Mrs. David E. Miller, both of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Ralph Jordan of Millersburg R1; 50 grandchildren and 4

great-grandchildren. A daughter, a granddaughter, and three brothers died previously.

Funeral services were held February 10 by Bishop Ezra Y. Miller.

**SCHMUCKER, Noah Jr., 49, of Grabill R1, Ind.**  
died unexpectedly, February 14, while away from home, getting a load of straw. He was a son of the late Noah and Kanoshia (Miller) Schmucker, and is survived by his widow, Sarah Mae (Miller); 7 sons, Victor, David, Jesse, William, Noah Jr., Joseph, and John Henry; and three daughters, Emma, Clara Mae, and Barbara. One daughter preceded him in death. Six of the children are still at home.

Funeral services were held by John Miller, 81 years old, of Nappanee, Ind.; burial was in the Amish Cemetery, Grabill, Indiana.

**SCHWARTZ, Marilyn I., infant, Wolcottville, Ind.**  
Marilyn Irene Schwartz, infant daughter of Marvin B. and Maryanna (Lambright) Schwartz of Wolcottville R2, Ind., died Saturday, February 3, 37 minutes after birth. Surviving with the parents are a brother, Joseph Jay at home; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Lambright of Wolcottville R2 and Mr. and Mrs. Simon Schwartz of Sturgis, Michigan.

Funeral services were held at the Daniel J. Lambright home by Bishop Daniel Bontrager; burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**SCHWARTZ, Noah E., 60, of Decatur R4, Indiana**  
died unexpectedly at 1:15 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 of a heart attack, while working. He was dead on arrival at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. He was born in Monroe Twp., Dec. 19, 1912, a son of Joseph (Spot) and Elizabeth (Graber) Schwartz. He was married to Mary Ann Yoder who survives. Also surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Menace (Susan) Wickey and Mrs. Nathan (Elizabeth) Wickey, both of Monroe R1; Mrs. Amos J. (Edna) Schwartz, Middlebury; Mrs. Harvey D. (Carol) Schwartz and Mrs. Sam (Amanda) Shetler, both of Berne R1; 16 grandchildren, and the following brothers and sisters, Henry E. Schwartz, Geneva; Joseph E. Jr., Ohio; Daniel E., Ashley, Ind.; Amos E., Woodburn; Reuben E. and Emanuel E., both of Grabill; Mrs. Samuel E. Eicher, Spencerville, Ind.; Mrs. Menno (Fannie) Eicher and Mrs. Levi (Rosie) Miller, both of Berne R1; Mrs. Elmer Schwartz, of Woodburn; and Samuel E., of Orrville, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at the home of a daughter, Harvey D. Schwartz, by Bishop Jake K. Hilty in the big house, and Pre. Henry Shetler in the small house. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

**STOLTZFUS, infant, of Kirkwood R1, Pa.**  
An infant daughter of Israel and Suvilla (Fisher) Stoltzfus was stillborn at 10:10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at home. Surviving, besides the parents, are nine brothers and sisters, Priscilla, John, Samuel, Benjamin, Sarah, Fannie, Henry, Christian, and Barbara, all at home; paternal grandparents, Israel and Priscilla Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1; and maternal grandparents, John Z. and Sarah Fisher, New Holland R2. Burial was in Fisher's Cemetery.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

SCHROCK, Menno J., 84, of Arthur, Illinois

son of Min. Joseph D. and Anna (Yoder) Schrock, was born July 6, 1888, died February 13, 1973, aged 84 yr., 7 mo., 7 days; married September 30, 1909 to Miss Lydia Gingerich, daughter of Christian and Magdalena (Wagler) Gingerich; she died October 16, 1924; lived in matrimony 14 yrs. and 1 mo; to this union were born 3 sons, a stillborn son December 10, 1910, Joseph of Archbold, Ohio, and Cris of Arthur; and 4 daughters, Mrs. Fred (Anna) Mast; Mrs. Dan A. (Magdalena) Miller; Elizabeth died of the flu in 1918, aged 1 yr. and 8 mo.; Mrs. Joas (Barbara) Herschberger. He married second time to Miss Emma Yutzy, daughter of Solomon and Mattie (Kemp) Yutzy, Nov. 22, 1925; to this union were born 2 sons and 1 dau.; Jacob of Berne, Ind., Dan of Dewey, Ill., and Mrs. Levi (Mary) Hostettler, of the home. He leaves his wife, 5 sisters, 2 brothers, 47 grandchildren, and 44 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the old home place, three miles south of Arthur, by Bishop Mose Yoder of Nappanee, Ind., and Bishop Steve Kaufman of the home district; hymn read by Bishop Henry Miller; burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Infant, of Newville R3, Pa.

The infant daughter of Melvin and Ruth (Glick) Stoltzfus was stillborn Wednesday, February 21, at Carlisle Hospital. In addition to her parents, she is survived by three sisters, Martha, Barbie, and Marianne, all at home; maternal grandparents, John F. and Barbara Glick, Gap R1; paternal grandparents, John M. and Sylvia Stoltzfus, Narvon R2; paternal great-grandfather, Stephen F. Stoltzfus, Gap R1; and maternal step-great-grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Fisher, Kinzers R1, Pennsylvania.

Burial was held at Mountain View Cemetery, in Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

YODER, Mrs. Savilla B., 73, of Strasburg R1, Pa.

widow of Joas O. Yoder, died of heart trouble, Wednesday morning, February 7, at the home of her son, Amos F. Yoder, Gap R1. She was not so well, but was able to go view her sister, Rebecca B. Stoltzfus, who died January 21st, (see Jan. Diary) but was not at her funeral. Savilla was born in West Earl Twp., a daughter of the late Pre. Christian S. and Leah (Beiler) Fisher, the youngest of fifteen children. Her husband died in June of 1943. She is survived by the following children: Christian S., Kinzers R1; Daniel J., Kirkwood R1; Amos F., Gap R1; Samuel K., Christiana R1; Lizzie, wife of Christ F. Fisher, Strasburg R1; Miss Mary F. Yoder, Mannheim, and Rebecca, wife of Amos S. Stoltzfus, of Mechanicsville, Md.; 33 grandchildren; two step-daughters, Sallie, wife of David B. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Mrs. Leah Byler, Belleville R1; and two brothers, David B. Fisher, Oxford R2, & Benjamin B. Fisher, of Lancaster.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Amos S. Lapp and John K. Lapp; hymn "Auch was ist doch"

by Dea. Jonathan Z. Beiler; hymn at graveside, "Liebster Gott, wann werd ich sterben?" by Ivan L. Fisher; Abschied by Jacob Byler of Belleville, Pa. Pallbearers were four Yoder grandsons, Stephen, Henry B., Henry K., and Daniel B. Burial was at Myers Cemetery.

## MILTON, IOWA ACCIDENT

Sam J. Miller of Milton, Iowa received a broken ankle while moving logs, and was in hospital over night, now has a cast and is on crutches, and is improving.

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## BAPTISMS

Holmes County, Ohio

Ben Miller district, Holmesville

February 11, by Andy Lapp

Edna, dau. of Albert and Barbara (Miller) Miller

East Holmesville District

February 11, by Jacob M. Mast

Emanuel, son of Henry E. and Fanny (Miller) Hershberger

John, son of Peter E. and Mattie (Miller) Miller

Charm North District

Andy, son of Mose A. and Lizzie (Miller) Yoder

Fannie, dau. of Albert J. and Ada (Swartzentruber) Yoder

Ida, dau. of Crist C. and Clara (Hershberger) Miller

Elsie, dau. of Dan D. and Anna (Swartzentruber) Miller

Fannie, dau. of Alvin E. and Maryann (Yoder) Troyer

Adams County, Indiana

Middle West District

February 25, by Bishop Levi H. Schwartz

Joni, son of Peter and Lizzie (Schwartzentruber) Hilty

William, son of Mrs. Lovina Shetler

Edna L., dau. of Bish. Jake K. and Lydiann (Schwartz) Hilty

Elizabeth L., dau. of Levi L. and Rose (Schwartz) Miller

Marie C., dau. of Pre. Christ K. and Clara (Schwartz) Hilty

Kokomo, Indiana

North District, February 18

by Andy Kauffman of Arthur, Illinois

Eugene, son of Andy A. and Rosa (Hershberger)

Emory, son of Andy A. and Rosa Herschberger

Ida Mae, dau. of Melvin C. and Laura (Miller) Bontrager

Mary Jane, dau. of Joel A. and Dena (Eash) Herschberger

Sara, dau. of Albert H. and Elva (Miller) Miller

Ruth, dau. of Andy E. and Clara (Herschberger) Yoder

Arthur, Illinois

Andy Kaufman district, February 25

Cris, son of Obey Helmuths

Verba, dau. of Ervin Herschbergers

Clara, dau. of Bishop Andy Kaufman

## MARRIAGES

**CORRECTION** – Vol. 4, page 234, Nov. 30, 1972, Melvin Fisher and Miriam Fisher were married by Jacob M. Stoltzfus from Brush Valley, instead of Christian M. Fisher.

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Esh, Beiler – Widower Jonathan S. Esh, Christiana R1, son of Levi F. and Annie Esh, and Miss Annie S. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R1, daughter of Solomon K. and the late Lizzie Beiler, February 15, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Miller – Jonas, son of Joe D. and Susie (Mast) Yoder, and Mabel, daughter of Attlee C. and Edna (Troyer) Miller, February 1.

Hershberger, Yoder – David, son of Mose E. and Sarah (Mast) Hershberger, and Fannie, daughter of Henry E. and Katie (Hershberger) Yoder, February 8.

Yoder, Yoder – Amos, son of Christ G. and Katie (Miller) Yoder, and Verna, daughter of Joe D. and Susie (Mast) Yoder, February 22

## New Haven, Indiana

Schmucker, Schmucker – Mervin, son of Albert and Mariha (Wittmer) Schmucker, and Delila, daughter of Pre. Menno and Maggie (Steury) Schmucker, February 11, by Bishop Noah Eicher.

## Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz – Joseph M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob E. Schwartz, Berne R2, and Lydiann F., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Menno L. Schwartz, Berne R1, on February 18.

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Lehman – Lloyd, son of Obie J. and Ruby (Miller) Miller, and Ida Mae, daughter of Mahlon and Anna (Mast) Lehman, by Bishop Sam J. Miller.

## Arthur, Illinois

Herschberger, Miller – Andy Ray, son of Min. and Mrs. Noah E. Herschberger, and Ruth, daughter of Andy J. Millers, February 12.

## Buchanan County, Iowa

Yutzy, Shetler – Harley, son of Pre. John Yutzy, and Lizzian, daughter of Bishop Atlee Shetler, by Bishop Atlee Shetler, February 22.

Yoder, Shetler – David Yoder, son of Mrs. John Bontrager, and Ada, daughter of Bishop Atlee Shetler, by Bishop Enos Yoder of Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Feb. 27.

## Guaimaca, Honduras, C. A.

Wagler, Hochstetler – Joseph, oldest son of David and Ida Mae Wagler, Aylmer, Ontario, and Iva Mae, oldest daughter of Monroe and Mary Hochstetler of Honduras, February 3, by the bride's father, Monroe D. Hochstetler.

Adams Co., Ind. – John and Katie (Coblentz) Hilty, of Bryant R1, Ind., observed their 50th (golden) wedding anniversary on February 8, 1973. They are the parents of 15 children.

## GUTHRIE, KY. ACCIDENT

Ernest Yoder, age 6, son of Melvin Yoder, was seriously injured when he fell from the tractor his father was driving February 28. He struck his head on the highway, breaking his jaw, and has a skull fracture in two places. He was rushed to Nashville hospital by ambulance, and at this writing seems to be recovering satisfactorily.

## IOWA GIRL INJURED IN BUGGY ACCIDENT

Mary Beechy, daughter of Dan C. and Emma Beechy, was seriously injured Sunday, February 25, enroute to a singing, when the buggy on which she was riding, with a brother and sister, overturned in a ditch. She was unconscious, and taken to Iowa City Hospital, was operated on Sunday night for a torn liver, also has a few cracked ribs, a light head concussion, and minor scratches and bruises. Tuesday evening was still in subconscious condition.

## LANCASTER COUNTY ACCIDENTS

Levi A. King, 45, of Gap R2, Pa., is in Lancaster General Hospital since January 31st, when he fell and twisted his back while cutting tree branches off of a fallen tree with a chain saw. He had hurt his back a few years ago at about the same place. He is not walking yet at this writing, March 5, but puts some weight on his feet, and gets around on a wheel chair. He is improving slowly.

Levi Z. Fisher, 47, of Kirkwood R1, Pa., is in Lancaster General Hospital since February 14th with a badly splintered elbow. This happened on the way home from work, three miles south of Strasburg, when the car in which he was riding knocked off two guard posts and landed on its side in a 6 ft. ditch, knocking his elbow against the door. It has been in traction since. The doctor plans to put a splint on March 8, then, if everything goes well, he will be able to go home a few days later.

## GEAUGA COUNTY NOTES

Felty A. Miller, 71, Bundysburg Rd., is quite a sick man. He has to take a lot of medication for pain, etc. He was in the hospital for surgery but is home now. He gets around slowly with the aid of a walker, but lies down most of the time. He is suffering from bone cancer.

February 10, Jake, 21 year old son of Widower Ervin M. P. Miller tried to kill himself by shooting. The bullet went into one eye, aimed for the brain, but didn't get that far. He has been mentally disturbed for quite a while, as is his older brother who is in a mental institution at present. Jake is at home now, but is completely blind.

## CASHTON, WIS. MAN FELL 12 FT.

Crist M. Hershberger fell off a pole barn roof to hay mow floor, about twelve feet, no broken bones but very sore.



# FEBRUARY

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## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil Hershberger

February brought several cold spells, with coldest for this winter at 9 degrees on the 17th. Total rainfall for the month was 2.3 inches, and possibly 3 in. snow which only lasted several days.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

No measurable snow in February, about 5 inches rain. Coldest was 5 degrees, with a stiff wind on the 17th. Lots of nice springlike weather, especially the last week. Folks are plowing gardens and top dressing fields, etc. Eggs bring 60¢ at home; Beef, 43¢ on the hoof; Hogs, 35¢ at the slaughter house; Soybeans, 6.10 bu. Lumber has increased by 50% this last year.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 2.1 inches.

Market Report: The fat cattle market hit an all time high record again this month at 47.50 Cwt.; Bulls, \$37 to \$42 Cwt.; Prime Veal, \$73 to 78.50 Cwt.; Calf Heifers brought as high as 1.97 per lb.; Fat Hog Market also hit an all time high record again this month at \$40 Cwt.; 40 lb. shoats, .72 per lb.; 58 cows out of Maryland sold at New Holland, \$410 to \$485 a head; Large Eggs, 48¢; Med., 44¢ doz.; Potatoes, \$6 to \$7 Cwt.; Hay, \$38 to \$89 Ton; Straw, \$33 to \$43 Ton; Ear Corn, \$47 Ton, 1.80 Bu.; Wheat, 2.30 Bu.; Barley, 1.45 Bu.; Oats, 1.25 Bu.

by Ammon F. Fisher

February started in with a cold snap, turning warmer and damp. The 11th was very cold and windy all day with 4 degrees above zero in the morning. The 12th, 13th, and 14th were cold but nice weather to haul manure. Morning of 22nd ground covered with 1.5 inches snow, the whitest for the winter. Had two days ice skating the weekend of the 18th. Total rainfall was 2.4 inches. Farmers were sowing clover seed, hauling manure, attending farm sales, and stripping tobacco. Tobacco sold from 30¢ to 54¢ per lb. Hay prices are from \$40 to 127.50 per ton.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens L. Nissley

The weather has been nice, with some snow, good sleighing, but no big snows. The coldest for the month was 20 below zero the morning of the 18th. The last two days of the month it warmed up enough to make water run down the road, also sap. Farmers are busy tapping sugar bushes.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

February was mostly mild and dry, with only 1.6 inches of rain, and very little snow. There was practically no snow all winter, and some of the late sown grain fields look quite bare, also some newly started alfalfa fields were frozen out quite a bit. Geese were flying north the latter part of the month already, and one must wonder if spring is here to stay or not. Some people had sickness in their calves and steers this winter and the veterinarian mostly called it pneumonia, but to me it seemed to be something similar to what some people had, and they called it the flu. Most of the tobacco around here sold for from 42¢ to 50¢, and has about medium weight. Protein supplements are about as high in price as they ever were, also steers and hogs.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

February temperatures ranged from a low of 5 degrees above zero on the 17th to a high of 57 on the afternoon of Groundhog Day. Only 5 days in February failed to record freezing temperatures. The last day of the month was a very nice and sunny day with the temperature in the 50s. March came in like a lamb. Total rainfall for February was 3.11 inches. Had enough snow to cover the ground the night of the 21st. There wasn't enough snow for the children to try out their sleds that were given for Christmas. The folks in this community had flu, with some getting the second round of it. Some children have the mumps. Farmers have been spreading fertilizer and clover seed.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

The beginning of February was warm, on the 2nd we had thunder showers, towards the middle of the month it was colder, had about 6 in. of snow on the 14th, on the 17th temperature dropped to zero. The farmers are getting anxious to start plowing, are getting alfalfa and clover seeded.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during February was mostly cold and clear, no heavy snows or high winds. Total precipitation was 2.75 inches. About 2 inches of snow all month and some nice rains. Ground was frozen most all the time, temperature dropping to zero or lower several mornings, but no storms or deep snows all month. Prices at farm sales this spring are considerably lower than last year, as farmers are more short of money this year because of extremely high feed prices. Machinery and dairy cow prices are hardest hit. Some of the big dairymen in the nation are selling their whole herds. Many good dairy cows to the butcher, as beef prices are very high. The small dairy man and cattle feeder that can feed his own hay and grain, and raises his own steer calves, and does not need to buy much feed, is in good shape, as dairy steers bring up to \$40 Cwt., live weight, and milk, 7.00 Cwt. The farmers with big dairy herds, on a small acreage, that must buy all their hay and grain, is really taking it on the chin this year, as his income just does not compete with his expenses.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

February came in mild and damp, also a few snow flurries on several different days. Turned much colder by the 10th with a few mornings below zero. We had about 6 inches of snow on the 16th, but was mostly gone by the end of the month. We have had a very open winter for this section, and has been fit to haul manure most of the time all winter.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

We had about 2½ inches of rain in the fore part, and something like 5 inches of snow in the middle part of the month. Except for the first week, it has been rather on the cold side, with some real nice days. No plowing done like in January. Five below zero was the coldest, on the 17th.

Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

February was a very pleasant month. The first week was cloudy with some rain. Feb. 2, thunder, lightning, and rain, making a total of 1.5 to 2 in. of rain for the month. Feb. 9 to 13 were most beautiful days, the 14th it snowed 5 to 6 in., the 16th it snowed and blew all day. The last day of February, snow not all melted yet, but plenty of muddy places, which makes it look like spring. Lowest temperature, 4 below zero, highest, 72 above.

Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The weather in our area was very unusual for January, mostly on the mild side, the coldest for the month was zero and the highest was 60 degrees, with an overall of 4.7 in. of rain and 2½ in. of snow. The crop report is good for those who have them to sell, and very high priced for those that have to buy. The quality and food value seems poorer than some years.

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

We had mild weather in February, but the ground-hog wasn't able to see his shadow, it was cloudy, foggy, and rainy that day. We had some real nice and sunny days, but scarcely as many as in January. We've had snow on the ground since the 15th, and several quite cold days, with 10 and 12 below zero at the coldest points. Don't believe we've had above 6 in. of snow on the ground at the most. No mail or school was missed because of the snow. Men are getting ready for the sugaring season, which isn't far off anymore.

Crawford County, Pa., by Menno E. Fisher

February was very changeable, with two cold spells of below zero. The 21st it snowed 8 to 12 in. and we had quite a few snow flurries before that and since. Price of soybeans is still rising, and oats are very hard to buy, as they are scarce. Beef and pork prices are at a record high. Farmers are hauling manure, attending sales, and doing odd jobs. Women are sewing and quilting, etc.

Warren County, Pa., by Joe A. Byler

The month of February was somewhat unusual, with not very much snow, lowest temperature was 34 below zero, highest around 55 above, which caused a lot of sickness.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Raymond M. Troyer

Springlike weather, snow about all gone, nice sunshiny days. March came in like a lamb.

by John H. Yoder

February was a nice month, had some rain, and a few very nice blankets of snow, but the snow never stayed long. Temperature was close to zero different times, and also some very nice sunshiny days. Some people are starting to cook maple syrup. A lot of butchering was done this month, especially beef.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas Borntrager

We had our coldest weather for this winter in Feb. We also had some snow and rain, and some nice warm days that you could work outside in shirt sleeves. Farmers had a good chance to haul manure and attend sales. Some plowing was done the first few days of the month. There is still some corn to pick.

Southeastern Holmes Co., by John L. Yoder

For the month of February we did not have severe winter weather, with cold spells to a near zero for a few days, then warm weather again. This was a weekly rotation through February. We had only a few inches of snow at a time, and it was soon gone again. No serious sickness. Farm sales are plentiful, with things bringing good prices.

Western Holmes Co., by Monroe A. Weaver

February came in mild. Ground hog saw her shadow, it was 50 on the 2nd. Only time we had zero was on the 17th, 2 below. The horse sale at Columbus, Feb. 7, was well attended from our area. The highest priced animal was a 3 year old Reg. Bel. mare, at \$2100. She came to Holmes County. A team of grade geldings brought \$4000. A large crowd, and sold around 190 head. Some corn to pick yet. Top hogs are over \$39; Steers, 46.50; Veal Calves, \$80; Cows, \$36; Bulls, over \$40. All of these prices are all time highs. A sign that our money is getting cheap.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

Weather for January was very mild and sunny. Total rainfall was not quite 2 inches. A total of four days were clear, four days were partly cloudy, and 23 days were cloudy. The highest temperature for the month was 60 degrees on the 26th, coldest was 4 above on the 10th. Have had a very mild and warm winter, so far, with very little snow. Most of the corn is picked, or husked, and soybeans harvested, with both having a very high moisture content. Even now some corn is molding in the cribs, due to warm weather. Some late planted corn molded in the field and was not even worth husking. A lot of plowing was done in January.

February was fairly sunny, at least the ground hog got to see his shadow again. We had a normal amount of snow for this time of the year. The coldest was 4 below, but it warmed up enough that it thawed every day but one. Some plowing was done the fore part of the month.



**CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued**

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Mostly nice winter weather, a few cloudy days, very little moisture or snow, several mornings the temperature was near zero, but only one day that it did not thaw any. The last few days some plowing was done.

Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

February has been our coldest month so far. Some places it was down to 32 below zero the week-end of the 11th. Have lots of snow, seemingly more like New York weather. Side roads made good sledging. Farm sales are plentiful. Some people have tapped their maple trees and boiled some syrup, the latter part of January already, but since that one run, there has been cold weather.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Joe W. Byler

Real winter weather, with a lot of zero and below readings, but also a lot of sunshine. A few anxious farmers have tapped and gotten ready for sugaring, but no run so far.

Allen County, Ind., by Mrs. John Schmucker

February was mostly mild, except for a few days, had some snow. On the 17th it was 16 below zero, a VERY cold day for a funeral. The next morning it was 19 above. It made us think, why such a difference?

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

February was much drier than normal. High, 53 on the 4th; low, 8 below on the 17th; rain, .71 of an inch; snowfall, 4.1 inches; 7 clear days, 13 partly cloudy, 8 cloudy, 3 rainy days, and no thunderstorms.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

We had sunshiny days the first of the month and it was springlike. I noticed some crocuses pushing through on the 4th. Roads, fields, and yards were muddy. Snowed some on the 7th and on the 11th it was near zero, but a nice day. Snowed some on the 14th so that ground was covered. The 17th we had 2 below zero with no wind. Had another nice blanket of snow on the 20th, but the nice sunshine soon melted it, again it was muddy. It turned colder, ground is frozen again, and some men accept this as a chance to get the rest of the corn husked. No sugar trees tapped yet. Weather seems quite favorable for a good season, will report next month, Lord willing. Much flu, chicken pox, and mumps among the children.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

We've had very little snow that stayed on the ground. Very little ice skating all winter. February had zero one morning, which was about the coldest. Up to near 60 several days, and a lot of sunny days. Lawns are showing a little green. After a wet fall, crops are mostly harvested, and farmers were busy spreading fertilizer. Trapping season closed, with fewer muskrats, but good prices. Hogs were a record high Feb. 27, at 39.75. Flu and chicken pox were among the illnesses.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Weather in February was mostly mild, with one spell of below zero temperature. Cows are selling from \$500 to \$800; Hogs up to \$46 Cwt.; Poultry also is getting more expensive; Corn, 1.52 bu.; Wheat, 2.19 bu.; Oats, 1.15 bu.; Hay, .75 to 1.25 a bale.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

February had some very nice weather, hardly any rain the last two weeks, had a cold snap from the 8th to the 10th. Farmers did a lot of plowing, and most peas are planted in the neighborhood, also some arishes and lettuce.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by William Schmucker

Weather unusually mild for Wisconsin, not much snow or zero temperature all winter. Honey Bees out off and on.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

February, in general, was milder than usual; snow is all gone; had a few light snows; a good rain on the first, and snow on the second; had 4 zero mornings; 12 below on the 16th and 17th.

Milton, Iowa, by Fred J. Yoder

The first five days in February temperature was in the 30s. The ground hog didn't see his shadow. Then turned colder, with a light snow, temperature dropped close to zero February 7. Had a few days cold, then warmed up, till in 20s, then 14th we had a light snow and temperature dropped to zero for a few days then warmed up, the 19th and 20th had rain, the temperature in 40s daytime and 20s at night, till the last few days seemed like spring.

Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

Weather for February was about normal, quite a bit of freezing and thawing. The weather is still on the wet side. Had a few sunshiny days, but very little drying weather.

Reno Co., Kansas (Partridge area) by Edward A. Mast

Heavy rains and melting snow caused the creeks to overflow their banks the first part of February. But a few weeks of more moderate weather, and a real springlike week, have brought things back to normal again. Cattle are being put on wheat pasture. Green thumbs are getting itchy, some early peas have been planted. Wheat prices were very unstable during February because of a large embargo in Texas. Ports lack facilities to load ships fast enough.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

February was cold with some snow.

Guaimaca, Honduras, by Joseph Stoll

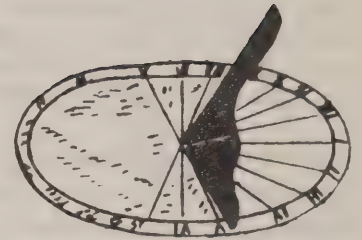
We are in the midst of dry season, and cannot expect good rains until May. Farming is limited to irrigated land, this time of year. Irrigation is mostly by canals and flooding method, which works good and is cheaper than pumping. Mostly vegetables and other high-return crops are grown by irrigation.

bitten grüßen Sie Peter,eland lassen Sie wissen daß  
 wir noch gesund sind bis her. Gott sei gedankt der  
 solches gedenkt. Wünschen Sie auch Ihnen das Gelingen  
 auf's gesünd. In der an der ersten Natur. Wachen ist mein  
 begehren. daß Sie meine Eingekleidet wart in einem  
 gebet wie ich auf's gesündet bin.  
 Weiter lassen Sie wissen daß ich a. daß armen  
 galt wo der schmerz sehr gelaut hat auf  
 immer gewinnen Sie wieder zu pfanden Will  
 und ist ganz in diesem brie, so Sie bei an sein ort.  
 Das ganze ist mein pfand. auf's hab ich  
 erfahren daß der Peter sehr lange noch  
 a. der an mich fordern ist. so hab  
 ich bei and'ig gesucht. so sei so gut und  
 pfid bei im zu so viel von mir.

Jaac, Coles 1821. a. 18<sup>ten</sup> und  
 bis Jan 19 gedanden wir abzusagen im  
 Namen des Herren nach o. h. r.



# Die Sonnen Uhr



Die Sonne, wenn sie aufgehet, verkündiget sie den Tag;  
sie ist ein Wundermerk des Höchsten.

Und der Mond in aller welt muß sche'nen zu seiner Zeit,  
und die Monate unterscheiden, und das Jahr austheilen.  
Nach dem Mond rechnet man die Feste; es ist ein Licht,  
das abnimmt, und wieder zunimmt.

Er hat den Himmel fein rund gemacht, und die Hand des Höchsten hat ihn ausgebreitet.

## Wegen Die Schweizern Brüdern

Gedicht in der Schweiz oder Deutschland

Menschen die nach Christen fragen  
Kommt zu mir, ich kann dir sagen  
Dann ich thu nach viele können  
Mann thut sie nur Täufer nennen  
Dieser lehren immerfort  
Nur allein aus Gotteswort

Alle ihre Lehr und sitten  
Sind gerichten auf den Frieden  
Wie es Christus hat befohlen  
Halten sie es ganz unverlohen  
Nun bei ihnen ganz allein  
Findet Mann die Lehre rein

Ich vor schon oft bei ihren Lehr  
Wo mancher große Kirchenheer  
Aus wunder sich hat ungefunten  
Am Sabbat bei den andach stunden  
Da wird gepredigt ohne pracht  
Wie die Jünger Jesu hahns gemacht

Ich sahe auch wie sie Brod thun brechen  
Und über den Wein den Segen sprechen  
Und wie sie dann die Füße sich wäschen  
Von Christe Lehr nichts vergessen  
Als Christen thun sie ihre pilicht  
Vergessen auf das geringste nicht

Die Taufe wird also verwalten  
Wie die Jünger Jesu hahns gehalten  
Mann tauft die grossen nur allein  
Und nicht die kleine Kinderlein  
Sie haltens wie geboten ist  
Und nicht wie der wiederchrist

Von hochmut und von kleiderpracht  
Wird unter ihnen nicht gedacht  
Den bart den hauen sie nicht ab  
Sie tragen ihn bis in des grab

Rote, gelbe, greüne seiden  
Thun die Weiber alle meiden

Die Weiber sind den Männern tren  
Und eh eins stirbt, ist keiner frei  
Von huren und dem ehebrechen  
Hört Mann selten unter ihnen sprechen  
Die Jungfrau wissen nicht von seuchen  
Die unter stetler Töchtern ichleichen

Gastfrei, und gutätigkeit  
Geht Mann in der welt, weit und breit  
Trift Mann wohl selten an  
Als wie bei einem Täuferman  
Einer jeden halten sie als Gast  
Ob sie ihn können gleich, nicht fast

Die Diener und die Prediger all  
Werden erwählt mit freuen wahl  
Ein jeder giebt seine stimme ein  
Wer er glaubt das wohl der beste sein  
Und wann sie gleich stimme hahn  
So mus das loos unterschieden dann

Wer könnst doch auf den Salme  
denn alten grauen Anvier Schmidt  
Was dieser schon seit mancher jahr  
Für ein gewaltiger Prediger wor  
Jetztund erwartet er bald der lohn  
Dort oben vor des Himmels Thron

Dortan, ihm Zothringen land  
Mit der Christian Engel auch bekannt  
Wie er zu Gottes preis  
Auch sehr wohl zu predigen weiß  
Der Christian Gerber auch  
Predigt wie es in der gebrauch

Der aller gelehrtesten ich thu können  
Thut sich Joseph Statler nennen  
Und wann schon tutzen Passen kommen  
So thun sie ihn doch nicht nehmen  
Bei Zweibrücken ist der wohnung sein  
Wo er geliebt wird allgemein

Ich könne noch ein sehr gelehrter Mann  
Johannes Freunberger ist sein namm

In Basel ist er sehr bekannt  
Dort oben in dem Schweizerland  
Der predigt so schön und fein  
Das es nicht könnte besser sein

In Velsford wohnt der Klopfenstein  
Der trägt wohl eine goldene stern  
Den er als bauer hat zum lohn  
Beim großen Kaiser Karoleon  
Er thut auch wohl Melender machen  
Ihr mußt ihn aber nicht anladen

Der Christian Geringich auf den Wallen  
Auch ein großen namen hat  
Weil er ist ein brauer Mann  
Und dazu auch gut predigen kann  
Es wird ihm dabei nicht bang  
Weil er der Dienst hat schon lang

Der Wildbauer Hof in Elsass ist  
Da wohnt auch ein guter Christ  
Mit namen heist er Joseph Kreis  
Ein Mann wohl toll verstand und wir  
Mann weiß ja sehr weit und breit  
Was das sein für braue leit

Nach einer kann ich nicht anlabr  
Dann er in ein brauer Mann  
Michael Engle er sich nömmt  
Den Brandellinger Hof ihr wohl könnst  
Dortan in dem Putcher land  
Mit er jedem wohl bekannt

Viele weis ich noch zu nennen  
Da ich alle gut thu können  
In Zothringen, Elsass, und Brisgan  
In der Schweiz, Pfalz, und Wetteran  
Dann von der Schweiz bis in Holland  
Sein die meisten mir bekannt

Der dies liedlein hat gedicht  
Mit für wahr sein Täufer nicht  
Er hat ihnen das lob gelungen  
So gut es ihm ist gelungen  
George Schweitzeger er sich nennet  
Als Schule Meister ihr ihn wohl könnst

Ihr könnt ja wohl den Bücherman  
 Der die Kinder lehren kann  
 Nicht Deutsch und Französisch allein  
 Auch andern Sprachen, näßt Latein  
 Kann er lehren eure Kinder  
 Wann ihr ihn dingt auf der winter

This historical poem was presented to "The Diary" from the Elam B. Stoltzfoos collections. It has gained our attention at once, although publishing was delayed for a time because of wanting to add more detailed informals that belong to a poem of such deep church heritage.

It was published in the April, 1929 "Mennonite Quarterly Review." From a note of that publication we will quote a few points of interest.

"The manuscript of this interesting poem was secured from Bishop Jonathan Kurtz of Ligonier, Ind., who received it from his uncle, Jonathan Zook of Holmes County, Ohio. It was copied by Zook in 1890. The Zook family settled in Fairfield County, Ohio having migrated thither via Mifflin County, Pa. from Berks or Lancaster County, Pa. How it came into the hands of this Zook family is altogether unknown."

We of "The Diary" are indebted to Elam B. Stoltzfoos for sharing with us and our readers such a valuable masterpiece of European Amish Mennonite life of that time. Watch for an article to follow of this poem. J. B.

#### From Out of the Past, 69 Years Ago

Submitted by Anna Eash

The following article, we presume, was printed in the "LaGrange Standard." It is a copy given by a friend, Barbara Lehman, whose mother was the owner of it. The mother, Mrs. Jonathan M. Lehman, formerly Fannie Troyer, was the girl mentioned in the article.

"Albert Swartzentruber, nineteen years of age was accidentally shot and killed late Sunday afternoon, along 6:00, by Enos L. Bontrager, seventeen years of age, at the farm home of Moses L. Mast, three and a half miles south and a half mile west of Shipshewana.

"Swartzentruber was an employee on the Mast farm, and Bontrager was spending the day with him, the boys having been lifelong friends.

"Around 6 o'clock, Bontrager, who was on the back porch of the Mast home, picked up a thirty-two rifle, loaded it, and aimed at a woodpecker in a row of grapevines between the house and hogstable. He was warned, it is said, by a girl who was near him on the porch, that Swartzentruber was between the grapevine and the hogstable, and might be struck by the bullet. With the reply that his friend was in the hogstable, young Bontrager pulled the trigger. Within a few moments Swartzentruber walked to the porch steps and sat down, with the remark, "I am shot."

"His manner was such that his suggestion was not seriously received by his companions. He insisted, however, that he was shot and, "it hurts."

"Neighbors were summoned by the girl who rang the dinner bell, and Dr. H. W. Schrock of LaGrange, who was in the neighborhood, responded.

"Swartzentruber was carried into the house and received the attention of the physician and neighbors. Through an examination it was disclosed that the ball had entered the body on the right side, about three inches below the lower rib, and, in a downward course, had passed through the bowels.

"Nothing could be done to save the life of the wounded boy. After lingering an hour and a half he closed his eyes in that last long sleep.

"Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock from the Mennonite church at Shore by Yost C. Miller and Amos Cripe. Interment was made at the Pashan Cemetery.

"Swartzentruber was the sole support of his widowed mother, who is left with four or five small children. His father died two years ago from quick consumption.

"He was a quiet and industrious boy, who had become possessed of the favor and goodwill of the neighborhood in which he lived and died, through his unselfish devotion to his mother and little brothers and sisters.

"Young Bontrager is the son of Levi J. Bontrager. He, too, is a quiet, industrious boy. He was shocked by the accident that resulted in the death of his lifetime friend, and his grief caused his family considerable anxiety.

"Coroner Frisby was in charge of an inquest Sunday evening, and the verdict was, the shooting was accidental, and he extricated the Bontrager boy."

Fannie Lehman vividly remembered the sad tragedy in her frail 88 years of age. She recalled how Enos was so shocked that he threatened to shoot himself, but thanks to God that he was taught that His word does not condone such. She was at quite a loss as to what to do so she rang the dinner bell, then went to her sister's, Amos A. Yoders, just west. They were not at home so she went back and rang again, then neighbors quickly gathered and helped.

She said around midnight that night Enos's parents came and she had to go along to LaGrange as a witness, she being the only one.

She said Enos wept bitterly during the funeral services, and especially did she remember him leaning on the fence at the cemetery and grieving for the accident to his dear friend.

Fannie recently passed away, and her obituary is in the Nov. 1972 issue of "The Diary."

We had heard our parents mention this and only recently did I learn of this article, and thought it might be of interest. I did try to find out the date this happened, and tried several sources but did not find out. Perhaps this was in the fall while grapes were ripe. Enos was born October 23, 1877, so if this happened while he was 17, it would have been in 1904. Enos passed away September 3, 1968.

This happened on the farm where Ervin S. Bontragers now live, whose farm joins the farm where the writer lives. Enos was a kind and helpful neighbor, and this was seldom mentioned.



# The Hour Glass

Days well spent are drops all sparkling  
 In the waters deep and broad,  
 Of Eternity's Great Ocean,  
 Every drop is held by God.  
 Days well spent are Shining Jewels  
 Scattered in the peaceful road  
 Which to happiness will lead us  
 To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim



To Recall a Few Memories of the Past  
 by Amos L. Fisher

## THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

Continued from last month

The oldest in the family of John and Barbara Schmucker was Christian, born February 11, 1775 in Berks County, Pennsylvania. He died April 21, 1857 at Smithville, Ohio, married to Elizabeth Stutzman, who died in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, he married second to Fanny Livingood, she died in Wayne County, Ohio at the age of 89 years. This Christian Schmucker was born and raised in Berks County, Pa. They, with their family, moved from Berks County to Lancaster County about the same time as their parents did, on the farm in Leacock Township now owned by John B. Stoltzfus of Ronks R1, about one half mile north of the present site of Gordonville. In 1812 when the burial ground was purchased from Jacob Weaver, known as Gordonville Cemetery, by some Amish brethren, Christian Schmucker and John Lapp were appointed as the first caretakers.

The buildings on the farm are no longer standing as they were when Christian Schmucker occupied the farm, for soon after the building of the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1840 which passes the farm by about one half mile, as in those days steam was the only means of power and being rather dangerous on account of fire hazards along the railroad, it so happened that the straw stack in front of the barn on the Jacob Weaver farm, now owned by Bishop Jonas Lapp, caught fire from sparks from a locomotive which passed by the said barn only a few hundred feet away. When the new barn was built it was erected on the east side of the house, further away from the railroad. At the same time sparks from the burning structure ignited the straw stack on the farm of John McKaskey, it being the former Christian Schmucker farm, and at this writing owned by John B. Stoltzfus, so their two barns burned down the same day less than one half mile apart. Christian Schmucker sold out in 1814 to John Zimmerman, who in 1817 sold the same farm to John McKaskey, who were the co-founders of the McKaskey High School of Lancaster City. Christian Schmucker moved with his family from Lancaster County in 1814 to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

According to the writings of the aged C. Z. Mast of Morgantown, some misfortune befell the Schmucker family in Mifflin County, as he purchased a large tract of land for sixty dollars an acre, and erected a large spacious barn for his grains and livestock. Having provided a home for an orphan girl by the name of Wagner who later married to a Jacob Yoder of Mifflin Co., Pa. and being appointed guardian over her money, he consequently was unable to pay the interest and return the principal after the girl had married and demanded her money at a specified date. He, being unable to raise the money, was compelled to dispose of the farm at the low price of twenty dollars per acre.

Finally he, with David Brandt, a native Amish minister from Switzerland who had resided one year in Mifflin County, decided to move together in a Conestoga Wagon with four horses to Wayne County, Ohio in the vicinity of Smithville. Here land was cheap and a lot unoccupied. (See the German article on page 21 of the February, 1972 issue of FAMILY LIFE, published by Pathway.)

The first settlers of that section of Wayne Co., Ohio were David Stutzman in 1815 followed by Henry Yoder, John Schrock, Christian Yoder, John Farmwalt and Christian Lantz, all of Somerset Co., Pa. From Mifflin County, Pa. were John Zook, David Zook, Abraham Kurtz and Jacob Plank, followed a few years later by Christian Schmucker and Preacher Christian Brandt, and still later by Preacher John K. Yoder, who was ordained in Mifflin County, Pa. in 1850. In 1855 he moved to the Smithville section of Wayne Co., Ohio, and was elected bishop in 1859. By 1850 there were about one hundred Amish families living in that section of Wayne County who were in full harmony with other settlements such as Holmes Co., Ohio, Somerset, Mifflin and Lancaster Counties, Pa. Between 1840 and 1850 there arose a dispute among the church members concerning baptism. The majority of the group favored baptism through immersion and were supported by a group from Mifflin County under the leadership of Bishop Solomon Beiler. Several years later a house was built for worship, and they adopted the Sunday School Program. Today it is known as the Oak Grove Mennonite Church.

As stated above, this Christian Schmucker, the son of John, was first married to Elizabeth Stutzman, daughter of Christian and Elizabeth (Steiner) Stutzman of Berks Co., Pa. They had nine children born in Berks, Lancaster, and Mifflin Counties, Pa., namely, John, Christian, David, Nancy, Isaac, Elizabeth, Barbara, Samuel, and another child died single.

Christian married his second wife in Mifflin Co., named Fanny Lebegoot, or Livingood, with whom he had eight children, namely, Cathrine, Joel, Jonathan, Lydia, Jacob, Joseph, and two died in infancy. (1) Their first child, John Schmucker, Born June 17, 1803, probably in Berks County, married to Rachel, daughter of (Cooper) Christian and Barbara (Hertzler) Yoder. His second wife was Susan Yoder, sister to his first wife. His first wife died in Juniata County, Pa. They also, at one time, lived in Knox County, Tennessee, and also at McVeytown, Mifflin Co., Pa. They had four children, namely, (A) Moses Schmucker, married to Cathrine Summers. They had six children, two who died young. The oldest was John, married to Sarah Detweiler, and had offspring in Mifflin and Lancaster Counties. Their oldest daughter, Fannie D. Smucker married to David Renno, and lived in Lancaster County. Their children are Susie Renno, married to Deacon Ira G. Stoltzfus, and John Renno, married to Nancy Peachey, of Ronks. Second child of Moses Smucker was Barbara, married to Israel Yoder of Belleville. Third was Katie Smucker, married to Abraham K. Beiler of Lancaster Co., Pa. Their son, Abraham Beiler, is a deacon in the east Intercourse district. To mention another child of Moses and Cathrine Smucker is Eli Smucker who resided at Bird-in-Hand R1, and was married to Susan Beiler. Their daughter, Mary Smucker, resides in the town of Intercourse. Another daughter, Susan, had married to Isaac Y. Lapp. Their three children also reside in the vicinity of the town of Intercourse. The reason for mentioning these few families is to point out the few descendants from Christian Schmucker of Wayne County that are still affiliated with the Amish Church.

Another child of John and Rachel Schmucker was (B) Gideon Smucker, born 1829 in Mifflin County and married to Marie Yoder. They had a large family, and moved to West Liberty in Logan County, Ohio, where he died in 1894.

There were two more sons of John and Rachel (Yoder) Schmucker; Christian, the oldest, married to Susan Lapp, a daughter of (Valley) John Lapp and Elizabeth Zook. This Christian Smucker moved to Concord in Knox County, Tennessee, where he died as a young man. His widow, Susan, then remarried, to Aaron Smucker, a brother to her first husband. They lived, and raised a family, in Knox County, Tennessee.

The second child of Christian and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Smucker of Wayne County was (2) Christian Smucker, married to Lydia Lantz. They moved from Wayne County, Ohio to Kokomo, Indiana, where they raised a family, being affiliated with the more liberal churches of the day.

The third child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (3) David, born December 30, 1805, very likely

in Lancaster Co., Pa., and married to Anna Brandt, born January 7, 1804 in Switzerland, the daughter of the emigrant, Christian Brandt. They lived and died in Wayne County, Ohio, where numerous of their descendants still live, being members of the Mennonite churches of that place.

The fourth child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (4) Nancy, born in June 1807, and married to Joseph Kauffman, and lived after their marriage at LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana, being affiliated with the Mennonite and more liberal churches of that place.

The fifth child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (5) Isaac Smucker, born in 1810 in Lancaster Co., Pa., and married to Sarah Troyer. After their marriage they moved from Wayne County to Knox Co., Ohio, in the autumn of 1838, where he was ordained to the ministry. In 1841 he moved to Elkhart County, Indiana, where he was elected to the office of bishop in 1843. In 1851 they moved to McLean County, Illinois, and later, in 1852, to LaGrange County, Indiana. They raised a large family, being mostly affiliated with the Mennonite churches, and represent several bishops, ministers, and deacons.

The sixth child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (6) Elizabeth, born June 1813, married to Christian Augsburg, who was born in 1814 in Germany. To them were born three children of which the oldest died at fourteen years of age. The other two were Susanna Augsburg, married to John Stoltzfus, the son of Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of Union Co., Pa., and Jacob Augsburg, married to Barbara King, the daughter of Samuel King of Strasburg. Jacob's children were: Samuel Augsburg, married to Fanny Miller, and lived at Vogansville where their son Samuel Jr. still lives; another was Elizabeth Augsburg, married to Bishop John Beiler of Groffdale, she being his second wife, their two children are Preacher Elam A. Beiler of Strasburg and John A. Beiler of the home farm; the other was Caroline Augsburg, married to Daniel M. Stoltzfus, the parents of Melvin Stoltzfus and Roy Stoltzfus of Groffdale. Roy's son, Henry, is a deacon in the Lower Millcreek district.

The seventh child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (7) Barbara, married to David Kauffman. They lived in LaGrange, Indiana and McPherson, Kansas.

The eighth child of Christian and Elizabeth Smucker was (8) Fanny, married to Eli Yoder, lived at Ligonier, Indiana.

As stated before, after the death of Christian Smucker's wife, Elizabeth Stutzman, he remarried, to Fanny Lebegoot, or Livingood, and had the following children: (9) Catherine Smucker, married to Jacob Zook, second to Joas Yoder, formerly of Mifflin Co.; (10) Joel Smucker, married Lydia Stutzman, lived at Archbold, Ohio; (11) Jonathan Smucker, married to Cathrine Eshleman; (13) Lydia Smucker, married to Samuel Schrock, lived at Smithville, Ohio; (14) Joseph Smucker, married to Nancy Hertzler. They lived in Champaign Co., Ohio and Elkhart Co., Indiana.

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# NARRATIVE OF MARIE LE ROY AND BARBARA LEININGER

Marie LeRoy was born at Brondrut, in Switzerland. About five (November 22, 1752. Rupp's Collection, page 297.) years ago she arrived, with her parents in this country. They settled fifteen miles from Fort Schamockin (Fort Augusta, now Sunbury.). Half a mile from their plantation lived Barbara Leininger with her parents who came to Pennsylvania from Reutlingen, about ten years ago.

Early in the morning of the 16th of October, 1755, while LeRoy's hired man went out to fetch the cows, he heard the Indians shooting six times. Soon after, eight of them came to the house, and killed Barbara LeRoy's father with tomahawks. Her brother defended himself desperately, for a time, but was, at last, overpowered. The Indians did not kill him, but took him prisoner, together with Marie LeRoy and a little girl, who was staying with the family. Thereupon they plundered the homestead, and set it on fire. Into this fire they laid the body of the murdered father, feet foremost, until it was half consumed. The upper half was left lying on the ground, with the two tomahawks, with which they had killed him, sticking in his head. Then they kindled another fire, not far from the house. While sitting around it, a neighbour of LeRoy, named Bastian, happened to pass by on horseback. He was immediately shot down and scalped.

Two of the Indians now went to the house of Barbara Leininger, where they found her father, her brother, and her sister Regina. Her mother had gone to the mill. They demanded rum; but there was none in the house. Then they called for tobacco, which was given them. Having filled and smoked a pipe, they said: "We are Alleghany Indians, and your enemies. You must all die!" Thereupon they shot her father, tomahawked her brother, who was twenty years of age, took Barbara and her sister Regina prisoners, and conveyed them into the forest for about a mile. There they were soon joined by the other Indians, with Marie LeRoy and the little girl.

Not long after several of the Indians led the prisoners to the top of a high hill, near the two plantations. Toward evening the rest of the savages returned with six fresh and bloody scalps, which they threw at the feet of the poor captives, saying that they had a good hunt that day.

The next morning we were taken about two miles further into the forest, while the most of the Indians again went out to kill and plunder. Toward evening they returned with nine scalps and five prisoners.

On the third day the whole band came together and divided the spoils. In addition to large quantities of provisions, they had taken fourteen horses and ten prisoners, namely: One man, one woman, five girls, and three boys. We two girls, as also two of the horses fell to the share of an Indian named Galasko.

We traveled with our new master for two days. He was tolerably kind, and allowed us to ride all the way, while he and the rest of the Indians walked. Of this circumstance Barbara Leininger took advantage,

and tried to escape. But she was almost immediately recaptured and condemned to be burned alive. The savages gave her a French Bible, which they had taken from LeRoy's house, in order that she might prepare for death; and, when she told them that she could not understand it, they gave her a German Bible. Thereupon they made a large pile of wood and set it on fire, intending to put her into the midst of it. But a young Indian begged so earnestly for her life that she was pardoned after having promised not to attempt to escape again, and to stop her crying.

The next day the whole troop was divided into two bands, the one marching in the direction of the Ohio, the other, in which we were with Galasko, to Jenkiklamuhs<sup>3</sup> (Chinklacamoose, on the site of the present town of Clearfield.), a Delaware town on the West branch of the Susquehanna. There we staid ten days, and then proceeded to Puncksotonay, (Punxsutawny, in Jefferson county.) or Eschentown. Marie LeRoy's brother was forced to remain at Jenkiklamuhs.

After having rested for five days at Puncksotonay, we took our way to Kittanny. As this was to be the place of our permanent abode, we here received our welcome, according to Indian custom. It consisted of three blows each, on the back. They were, however, administered with great mercy. Indeed, we concluded that we were beaten merely in order to keep up an ancient usage, and not with the intention of injuring us. The month of December was the time of our arrival, and we remained at Kittanny until the month of September, 1756.

The Indians gave us enough to do. We had to tan leather, to make shoes (moccasins), to clear land, to plant corn, to cut down trees and build huts, to wash and cook. The want of provisions, however, caused us the greatest sufferings. During all the time that we were at Kittanny we had neither lard nor salt; and, sometimes, we were forced to live on acorns, roots, grass, and bark. There was nothing in the world to make this new sort of food palatable, excepting hunger itself.

In the month of September Col. Armstrong arrived with his men, and attacked Kittanny Town. Both of us happened to be in that part of it which lies on the other (right) side of the river (Alleghany). We were immediately conveyed ten miles farther into the interior, in order that we might have no chance of trying, on this occasion, to escape. The savages threatened to kill us. If the English had advanced, this might have happened. For, at that time, the Indians were greatly in dread of Col. Armstrong's corps. After the English had withdrawn, we were again brought back to Kittanny, which town had been burned to the ground.

There we had the mournful opportunity of witnessing the cruel end of an English woman, who had attempted to flee out of her captivity and to return to the settlements with Col. Armstrong. Having been recaptured by the savages, and brought back to Kittanny, she was put to death in an unheard of way. First, they scalped her; next, they laid burning splinters of wood, here and there, upon her body; and then they cut off her ears and fingers, forcing them



into her mouth so that she had to swallow them. Amidst such torments, this woman lived from nine o'clock in the morning until toward sunset, when a French officer took compassion on her, and put her out of her misery. An English soldier, on the contrary, named John . . . . who escaped from prison at Lancaster, and joined the French, had a piece of flesh cut from her body, and ate it. When she was dead, the Indians chopped her in two, through the middle, and let her lie until the dogs came and devoured her.

Three days later an Englishman was brought in, who had, likewise attempted to escape with Col. Armstrong, and burned alive in the same village. His torments, however, continued only about three hours; but his screams were frightful to listen to. It rained that day very hard, so that the Indians could not keep up the fire. Hence they began to discharge gunpowder at his body. At last, amidst his worst pains, when the poor man called for a drink of water, they brought him melted lead, and poured it down his throat. This draught at once helped him out of the hands of the barbarians, for he died on the instant.

It is easy to imagine what an impression such fearful instances of cruelty make upon the mind of a poor captive. Does he attempt to escape from the savages, he knows in advance that, if retaken, he will be roasted alive. Hence he must compare two evils, namely, either to remain among them a prisoner forever, or to die a cruel death. Is he fully resolved to endure the latter, then he may run away with a brave heart.

Soon after these occurrences we were brought to Fort Duquesne, where we remained for about two months. We worked for the French, and our Indian master drew our wages. In this place, thank God, we could again eat bread. Half a pound was given us daily. We might have had bacon, too, but we took none of it, for it was not good. In some respects we were better off than in the Indian towns; we could not, however, abide the French. They tried hard to induce us to forsake the Indians and stay with them, making us various favourable offers. But we believed that it would be better for us to remain among the Indians, in as much as they would be more likely to make peace with the English than the French, and in as much as there would be more ways open for flight in the forest than in a fort. Consequently we declined the offers of the French, and accompanied our Indian master to Sackum<sup>5</sup> (Sakunk, outlet of the Big Beaver, into the Ohio, a point well known to all the Indians; their rendezvous in the French wars, &c. Post in his journal, under date of August 20, 1758, records his experiences at Sakunk, Raichel. See Post's Journal Pennsylvania Archives, O. S., Vol. 3, page 527.) where we spent the winter, keeping house for the savages, who were continually on the chase. In the spring we were taken to Kaschkaschkung<sup>6</sup> (Kaskaskunk, near the junction of the Shenango and Mahoning, in Lawrence County.) an Indian town on the Beaver Creek. There we again had to clear the plantations of the Indian nobles, after the German

fashion, to plant corn, and to do other hard work of every kind. We remained at this place for about a year and a half.

After having, in the past three years, seen no one of our own flesh and blood, except those unhappy beings who, like ourselves, were bearing the yoke of the heaviest slavery, we had the unexpected pleasure of meeting with a German, who was not a captive, but free, and who, as we heard, had been sent into this neighborhood to negotiate a peace between the English and the natives. His name was Frederick Post. We and all the other prisoners heartily wished him success and God's blessing upon his undertaking. We were, however, not allowed to speak with him. The Indians gave us plainly to understand that any attempt to do this would be taken amiss. He himself, by the reserve with which he treated us, let us see that this was not the time to talk over our afflictions. But we were greatly alarmed on his account. For the French told us that, if they caught him, they would roast him alive for five days, and many Indians declared that it was impossible for him to get safely through, that he was destined for death.

Last summer the French and Indians were defeated by the English in a battle fought at Loyal-Hannon, or Fort Ligonier. This caused the utmost consternation among the natives. They brought their wives and children from Lockstown<sup>7</sup> (Leggstown, on the Ohio, eight miles above Beaver.—"Weiser's Journal.") Sackum, Schomingo, Mamalty, Kaschkaschkung, and other places in that neighborhood, to Moschkingo, about one hundred and fifty miles farther west. Before leaving, however, they destroyed their crops, and burned everything which they could not carry with them. We had to go along, and staid at Moschkingot<sup>8</sup> (Muskingum.) the whole winter.

In February, Barbara Leininger agreed with an Englishman, named David Breckenreach (Breckenridge), to escape, and gave her comrade, Marie LeRoy, notice of their intentions. On account of the severe season of the year, and the long journey which lay before them, Marie strongly advised her to relinquish the project, suggesting that it should be postponed until spring, when the weather would be milder, and promising to accompany her at that time.

On the last day of February nearly all the Indians left Moschkingo, and proceeded to Pittsburgh to sell pelts. Meanwhile, their women traveled ten miles up the country to gather roots, and we accompanied them. Two men went along as a guard. It was our earnest hope that the opportunity for flight, so long desired, had now come. Accordingly, Barbara Leininger pretended to be sick, so that she might be allowed to put up a hut for herself alone. On the fourteenth of March, Marie LeRoy was sent back to the town, in order to fetch two young dogs which had been left there; and, on the same day, Barbara Leininger came out of her hut and visited a German woman, ten miles from Moschkingo. This woman's name is Mary . . . . and she is the wife of a miller from the South Branch. (South Branch of the Potomac.) She had made every preparation to accompany us on our



flight; but Barbara found that she had meanwhile become lame, and could not think of going along. She however gave Barbara the provisions which she had stored, namely, two pounds of dried meat, a quart of corn, and four pounds of sugar. Besides, she presented her with pelts for mocasins. Moreover, she advised a young Englishman, Owen Gibson, to flee with us two girls.

On the sixteenth of March, in the evening, Gibson reached Barbara Leininger's hut, and, at ten o'clock, our whole party, consisting of us two girls, Gibson, and David Breckenreach, left Moschkingo. This town lies on a river, in the country of the Dellamottinoes. We had to pass many huts inhabited by the savages, and knew that there were at least sixteen dogs with them. In the merciful providence of God not a single one of these dogs barked. Their barking would at once have betrayed us, and frustrated our design.

It is hard to describe the anxious fears of a poor woman under such circumstances. The extreme probability that the Indians would pursue, and recapture us, was as two to one compared with the dim hope that, perhaps, we would get through in safety. But, even if we escaped the Indians, how would we ever succeed in passing through the wilderness, unacquainted with a single path or trail, without a guide, and helpless, half naked, broken down by more than three years of hard slavery, hungry and scarcely any food, the season wet and cold, and many rivers and streams to cross? Under such circumstances to depend upon one's own sagacity would be the worst of follies. If one could not believe that there is a God, who helps and saves from death, one had better let running away alone.

We safely reached the river (Muskingum). Here the first thought in all our minds was: O! that we were safely across! And Barbara Leininger, in particular, recalling ejaculatory prayers from an old hymn, which she had learned in her youth, put them together, to suit our present circumstances, something in the following style:

O bring us safely across this river!  
In fear I cry, yea my soul doth quiver.  
The worst afflictions are now before me,  
Where'er I turn nought but death do I see.  
Alas, what great hardships are yet in store  
In the wilderness wide, beyond that shore!  
It has neither water, nor meat, nor bread,  
But each new morning something new to dread.  
Yet little sorrow would hunger me cost  
If but I could flee from the savage host,  
Which murders and fights and burns far and wide,  
While Satan himself is array'd on its side.  
Should on us fall one of its cruel bands,  
Then help us, Great God, and stretch out Thy hands!  
In Thee will we trust, bu Thou ever near,  
Art Thou our Joshua, we need not fear.

Presently we found a raft, left by the Indians. Thanking God that He had himself prepared a way for us across these first waters, we got on board and

pushed off. But we were carried almost a mile down the river before we could reach the other side. There our journey began in good earnest. Full of anxiety and fear, we fairly ran that whole night and all next day, when we lay down to rest without venturing to kindle a fire. Early the next morning, Owen Gibson fired at a bear. The animal fell, but, when he ran with his tomahawk to kill it, it jumped up and bit him in the feet, leaving three wounds. We all hastened to his assistance. The bear escaped into narrow holes among the rocks, where we could not follow. On the third day, however, Owen Gibson shot a deer. We cut off the hind quarters, and roasted them at night. The next morning he again shot a deer, which furnished us with food for that day. In the evening we got to the Ohio at last, having made a circuit of over one hundred miles in order to reach it.

About midnight the two Englishmen rose and began to work at a raft, which was finished by morning. We got on board and safely crossed the river. From the signs which the Indians had there put up we saw that we were about one hundred and fifty miles from Fort Duquesne. After a brief consultation we resolved, heedless of path or trail, to travel straight toward the rising of the sun. This we did for seven days. On the seventh we found that we had reached the Little Beaver Creek, and were about fifty miles from Pittsburgh.

And now, that we imagined ourselves so near the end of all our trouble and misery, a whole host of mishaps came upon us. Our provisions were at an end; Barbara Leininger fell into the water and was nearly drowned; and worst misfortune of all! Owen Gibson lost his flint and steel. Hence we had to spend four nights without fire, amidst rain and snow.

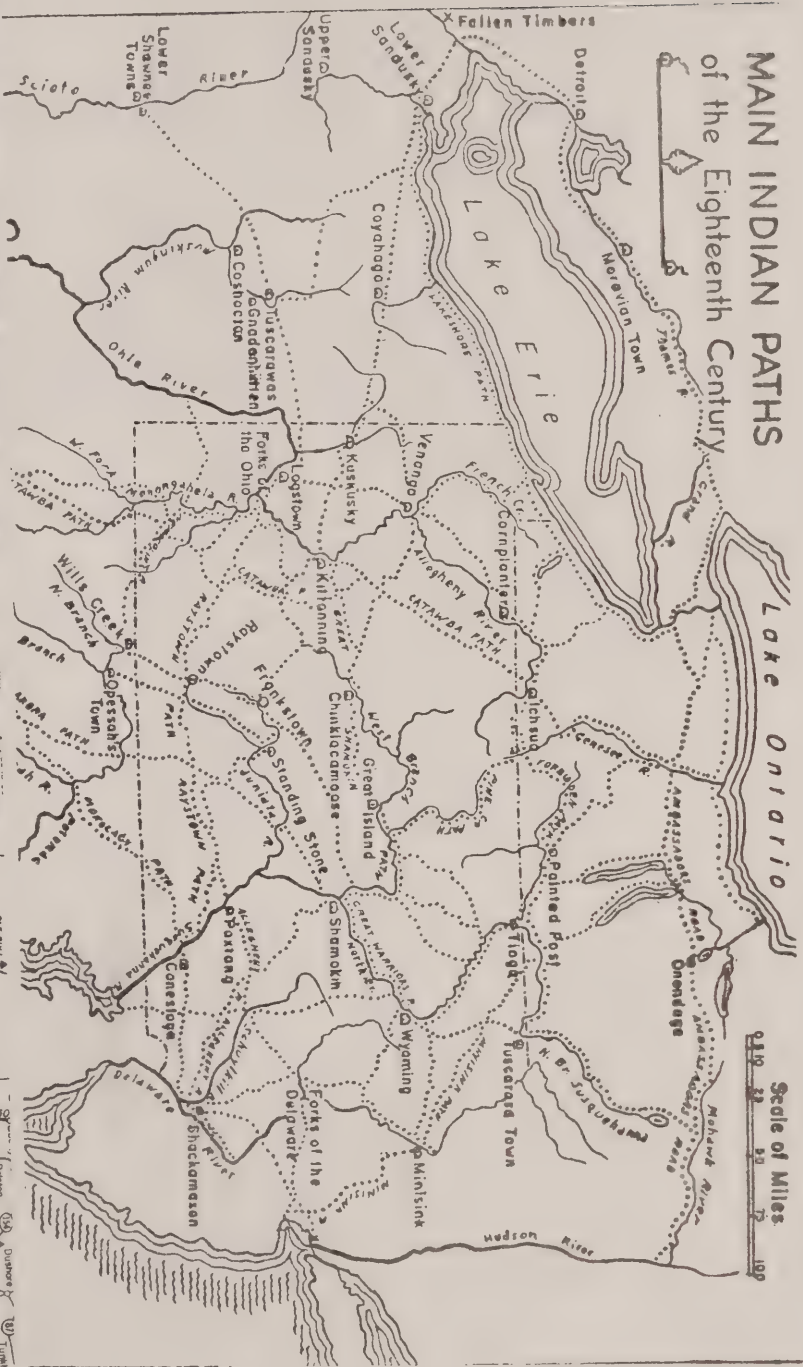
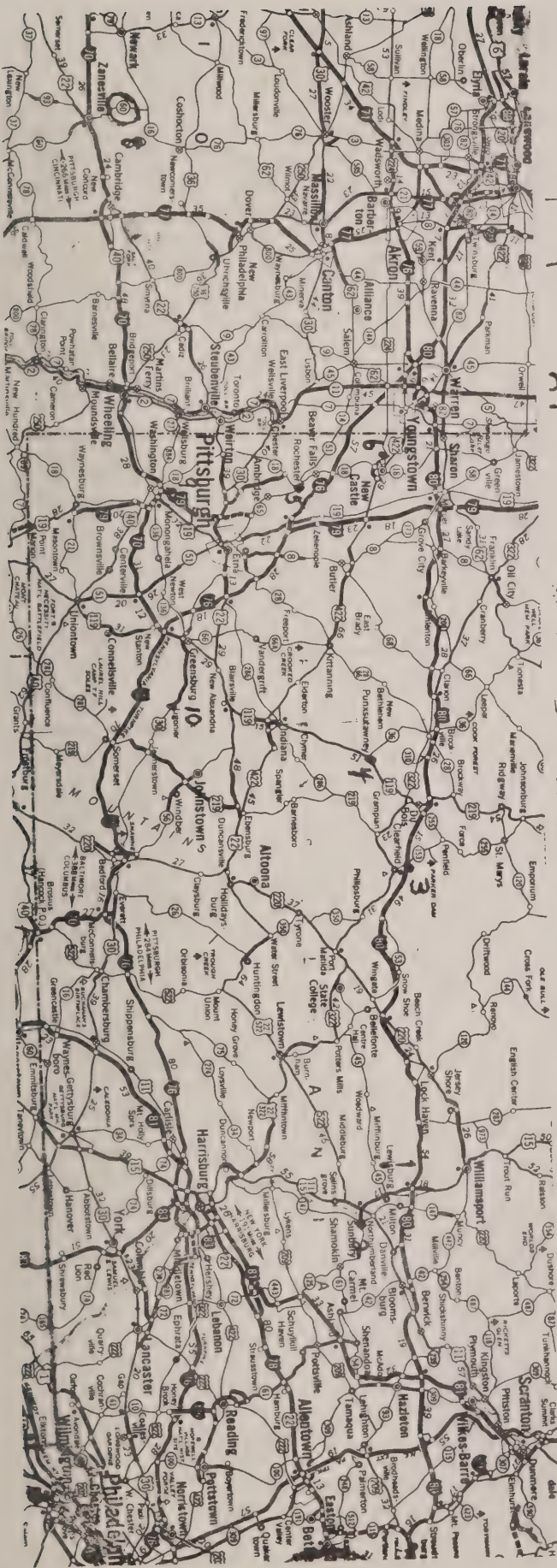
On the last day of March we came to a river, Alloquepy,<sup>9</sup> (Charters' creek.) about three miles below Pittsburgh. Here we made a raft, which, however, proved to be too light to carry us across. It threatened to sink, and Marie LeRoy fell off, and narrowly escaped drowning. We had to put back, and let one of our men convey one of us across at a time. In this way we reached the Monogahella River, on the other side of Pittsburgh, the same evening.

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NOTE: The miles as stated in this narrative are not in compliance with our English miles.

1. Approximate site of Leininger plantation (on map).
2. later Fort Augusta, now Sunbury.
3. Chinklacamoose, on the site of the present town of Clearfield
4. Puncksotonay, present Punxsutawny.
5. Sakunk, outlet of the Big Beaver into the Ohio. (near now Rochester, Pa.)
6. Kaskaskunk, near the junction of the Shenango and Mahoning, in Lawrence Co., Pa.
7. Loggstown on the Ohio, eight miles above Beaver.
8. Moschkingo—Muskingum, a river in Ohio. (The westernmost point perhaps around Zanesville.)
9. Alloquepy, Charters Creek.







### Conclusions on: "Regina, the Indian Captive"

Our readers will remember the introduction to "Regina, the Indian Captive," to head back page articles of "The Diary," Volume Four.

In the meantime more stories on the subject were laid on our desk, and much more could be written concerning this pious German immigrant family, but we feel the time is here to come to conclusions.

First we want to point out to our readers that the story, "True Piety Among the Lowly," is a true story of members of the Hartman family. The Pennsylvania Dutch Ballade also refers to the Hartman family who lived in the Tulpehocken area before the massacre. After this the mother and her son came down to Kurtz's church,<sup>1</sup> (as it was called then on account of Rev. Kurtz) which site still exists to this day, at the west end of Stouchsburg, Pennsylvania, and a memorial marker is in this church cemetery (old part), which reads, "Regina The Indian Captive."

### The Leininger Family

The other story is of the Leininger Family, who lived along Penns Creek in Buffalo Valley, now Union County, Pennsylvania. This is most probably the one who, after the return of Regina, accompanied her mother to Pastor Muhlenberg, and by whom the whole account was written, except that he carefully omitted a surname. This account is preserved in the "Hallesche Nachrichten," where Pastor Muhlenberg

1. The Indians of Berks Co., Pa. by D. B. Brunner.

quotes that, upon request of the mother, he gave Regina a bible, and money to buy a hymn book. He told Regina to open the bible, put her finger to a verse, and read it. She opened it and her finger struck the second verse of the first chapter of Tobia, one of the apocryphal books, and read distinctly, beautifully, and fluently: "Derselbig ward mit gefangen zu den zeiten Salmanasser, des Koenigs in Assyrien und wiewohl er also unter fremden gefangen war, ist er dennoch von Gottes wort nicht abgefallen."

### A Final Word

A final touch to "Regina, the Indian Captive" is nowhere more clearly pictured than in the ninth chapter of "The Pennsylvania-German French and Indian War," by Henry M. M. Richards, printed at Lancaster, Pa. (1905), as follows:

Having told in full the story of Regina, the German captive, as it has been given the public for many years, with all the pros and cons bearing upon its location, it might be supposed that no more could be said on the subject, and yet what follows is the most interesting part of the tale, as, for the first, it gives us the real name of Regina, the real location of the family, and the true facts of the case, from the lips of one of the actors in the tragedy.

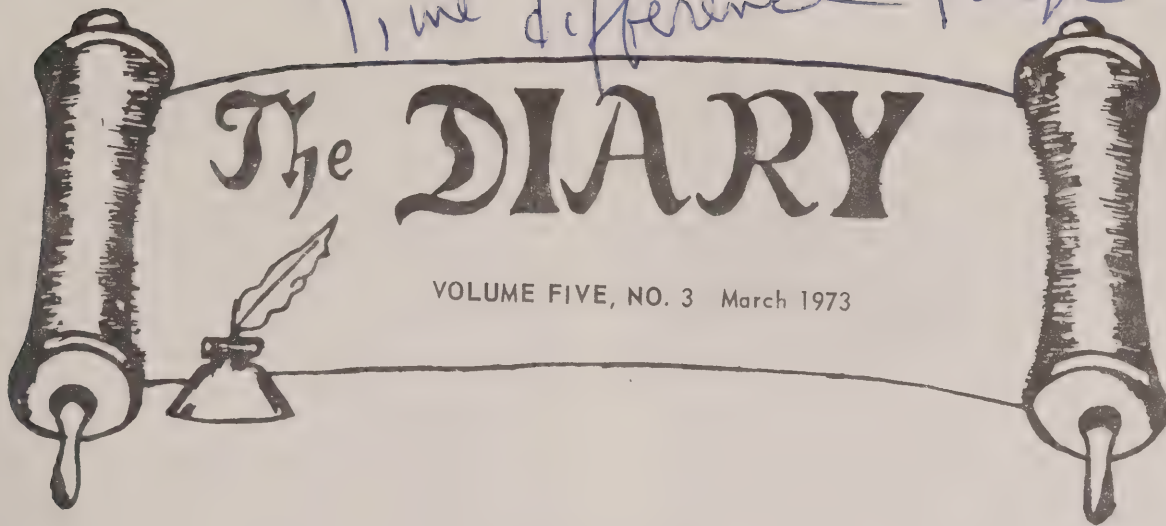
The writer had from childhood heard that the family name of Regina was Hartman. In time this name became so familiarly impressed upon his memory that he no longer questioned its correctness. It is only another evidence of the fact, which has before this presented itself to him, that the historian has no right to take anything for granted. It is his business to ascertain the truth. While carefully searching the Pennsylvania Archives quite recently, he was more than astonished, upon reading the narrative about to be given, to notice that it referred to Regina and her sister, that the name was not Hartman at all, instead Leininger, and that the family was located near the site of the present town of Selinsgrove, Pa., at the west branch of the Susquehanna. It so completely upsets all preconceived beliefs on the subject that an investigation followed at once. When this was carefully made, all was clear enough. Reference to the Muhlenbergs' letter will show that he does not give the family name of the widow and her daughter; in addition to what we know the massacre took place October 16, 1755, the very day of the massacre at Penns Creek, the first which occurred anywhere, and some time before those of Swatara, Tuppehocken or Orwigsburg.

We will now resort to a narrative of Marie Leroy and Barbara Leininger. The following story is a translation from German, which is a good translation, but, as usual, certain elements are lost in the process. German photocopies can be made available at various libraries. After reading this narrative be sure to also read the historical note taken from the Pennsylvania Archive Series Two, Vol. 7, page 428. It clears many questions to the reader.

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LANCASTER CO. WOMAN KILLED BY CAR

Mrs. Mary B. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, 45, of Gap R1, Pennsylvania, was killed instantly and her husband, Amos E. Stoltzfus, 44, was seriously injured when they were struck by a car on Rt. 340, east of White Horse, near the Chester County line, at 9:40 p.m. Tuesday, April 3. The couple had been attending a school meeting at the Benjamin Lapp farm, and were walking to their farm, about one mile west of the Lapp farm, when the accident occurred. The driver of the westbound car was passing another vehicle and failed to see the man and woman, who were walking in the eastbound traffic lane. Mrs. Stoltzfus was hurled about 70 feet into a field along the southside of the highway. She was pronounced dead at the scene by the deputy coroner, who said she suffered multiple injuries. (See obituary.) Her husband was admitted to Lancaster General Hospital's constant care unit in serious condition with possible head and internal injuries. He was brought by ambulance to view her body just before the funeral Thursday.

JOHNSON CO., IOWA ACCIDENT

Marvin, 20, son of Edwin Ray Millers met with a serious accident on Saturday, March 10, while doing some welding with power from a power take-off shaft, there was also a speed chain connected, and somehow he got caught in the outfit, just how, no one will ever know. It broke his right arm badly, and tore the left arm off close to the shoulder, pulled his left leg out of socket joint, and had many bruises and small cuts about his body and head. He is doing as well as can be expected, in the Children's (University) Hospital, Iowa City. He is a grandson of Pre. Chris B. Miller of Kalona, and also of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias A. Miller of Stuarts Draft, Va. Neighbors joined in and did Edwin's butchering Tue., while they were at the hospital with Marvin, as they operated, and set the arm that day.

GOSHEN, IND., MAN

KILLED IN TENNESSEE CRASH

Dan R. Miller, 72, Goshen R6, Ind., was killed and his wife was injured in a one-car crash about 75 miles from Chattanooga, Tenn. They and two other couples had been in Florida for several weeks and were reportedly enroute home when the crash occurred. They were traveling on I-24, a four lane divided highway, and were going up a mountain curve at Monteagle. Reports indicated that the lug nuts holding the left front wheel of the car sheared off. The car then careened out of control and crashed into an embankment. Miller was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. (See obituary)

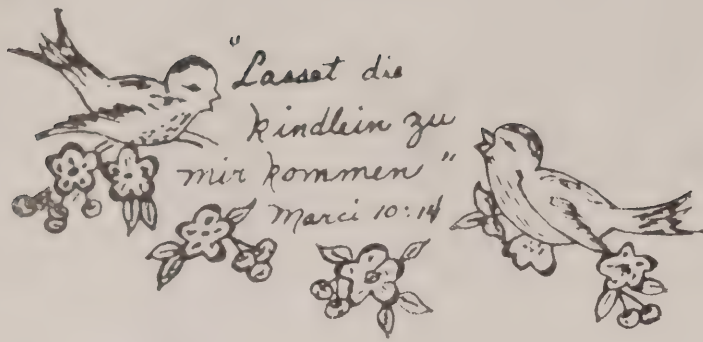
YOUNG COUPLE IN HOSPITAL WITH BURNS

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Miller of Burton-Windsor Rd., Middlefield, Ohio were both hospitalized with second and third degree burns, which happened while they were using Contact Cement in their new house. They had two gas lamps nearby which ignited the highly inflammable container of glue. There was considerable smoke damage to the nearly completed house, which had just been painted and varnished. Plans were for the young couple to move in soon. Mrs. Miller had third degree burns over her legs and body, and Ray had burns on his hands. They were married last summer.

BULL INJURES IOWA MAN

Saturday, March 31, Pre. Neal Lambright was repairing a bull stall where an unruly animal was tied with a chain on his nose ring. The bull tore the ring and made for Neal, bruising him considerably. He got out as far as the overshot on the barn, was rushed to the hospital in Waterloo, where he underwent surgery for four hours. It is not predictable what the outcome may be.





## BIRTHS

## Dover, Delaware

- COBLENTZ, Elmer M. (Mattie Coblentz) Hartley R1  
a son JONAS, March 4
- HERSHBERGER, Atlee J. (Emma Hochstetler) Kenton  
R5, a daughter ALTA, March 15
- MAST, Eli A. (Effie Beachy) Dover R2  
a daughter LAURA, March 12
- MILLER, Ammon H. (Mary Troyer) Dover R2  
a daughter ROSE ANNA, March 18
- MILLER, Eli W. (Elma Yoder) Kenton R5  
a daughter MARY, March 20
- MILLER, Jacob N. (Mary Ann Coblentz) Hartley R1  
Stillborn twin sons, March 25
- TROYER, Allen A. (Esther Miller) Dover R2  
a daughter RUBY ANN, March 7

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

- HERTZLER, David (Sarah Swarey) Charlotte Hall  
a son ISRAEL, March 6
- KURTZ, Christ (Mollie Hostetler) Mechanicsville  
a daughter SARAH, March 3
- KURTZ, Solly (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville  
a daughter EMMA, March 3
- STOLTZFUS, Amos (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville  
a son SAMUEL, March 24

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- ALLGYER, John Jr. (Sarah Lapp) Gap R1  
a son DANIEL, March 26
- ALLGYER, Stephen (Rebecca K. Stoltzfus) Gap R2  
a son AARON J., March 8
- BEILER, Benjamin S. (Katie K. Stoltzfoos) Drumore R1  
a daughter SADIE, March 28
- BEILER, Elias (Verna Glick) Ronks R1  
a daughter SADIE, March 13
- BEILER, Ezra (Elizabeth K. Stoltzfoos) New Providence  
R1, a daughter PRISCILLA, March 3
- DIENNER, Eli S. (Rachel L. Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a son STEPHEN S., March 11
- EBERSOL, Aaron (Mary Kauffman) Honey Brook R2  
a son AARON, March 12
- ESCH, Ben B. (Lavina Lapp) 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster  
a daughter RUTH ANN, March 2
- ESH, Moses L. (Lizzie B. Lapp) New Holland R1  
a son JOHN L., March 6
- ESH, Stephen L. (Rebecca King) Gordonville R1  
a son ELMER, March 10
- FISHER, Henry S. (Emma Stoltzfus) Black Horse Rd.  
Paradise, a daughter SARAH ANN, March 18
- FISHER, Jacob J. (Annie K. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3  
a daughter SADIE, March 14

- FISHER, Jonathan E. (Lizzie Ann Dienner) 133 Buck-  
walter Rd., Lancaster, a dau. EMMA D., March 5
- FISHER, Sylvan (Mary Smucker) Paradise R1  
a son DAVID D., March 24
- KAUFFMAN, John (Emma Stoltzfus) Christiana R1  
a son ELMER, March 7
- KING, Daniel R. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter ESTHER S., March 18
- KING, Eli R. (Mary L. Miller) Gordonville R1  
a son LLOYD M., March 9
- KING, Jacob S. (Sarah E. Fisher) Leola R1  
a son DAVID, March 17
- KING, John L. (Rebecca L. King) Leola R1  
a daughter BARBARA, March 16
- KING, John S. (Fannie L. King) White Oak Rd.,  
Paradise R1, a son JESSE K., March 23
- MILLER, Enos K. (Rebecca Fisher) Paradise R1  
a son ABRAM K., March 29
- MILLER, John (Katie Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter RACHEL, March 8
- MILLER, John (Rebecca King) Leola R1  
a son AARON, March 12
- SMUCKER, David S. (Emma Stoltzfus) East Earl R1  
a daughter SARANN, March 29
- STOLTZFUS, Abner F. (Mary B. Fisher) Quarryville R3  
a daughter VERNA F., March 16
- STOLTZFUS, Amos B. (Emma Mae Glick) Honey Brook  
R2, a son CALVIN LEE, March 29
- STOLTZFUS, Jephtha (Sadie K. Lapp) Quarryville R3  
a son AMOS, March 1
- STOLTZFUS, John S. (Fannie F. Esh) Christiana R1  
a son DANIEL E., March 1
- STOLTZFUS, Phares Z. (Arie Fisher) 74 S. Ronks Rd.  
Ronks R1, a son PHARES, March 26
- STOLTZFUS, Samuel J. (Barbara Smoker) Narvon R2  
a son DAVID D., March 31
- STOLTZFUS, Simeon G. (Drusilla Riehl) Quarryville  
R3, a son OMAR, March 17
- STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Malinda King) Gap R2  
a son ABRAM LEE, March 4
- ZOOK, Amos E. (Annie F. Zook) Ephrata R2  
a son STEPHEN U., March 5

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Bradford County, Pennsylvania  
 MILLER, Ervin (Katie Byler) LeRaysville R2  
 a son DANIEL, March 30

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania  
 PEACHEY, David J. (Malinda Lantz) Newmanstown R1  
 a son JOHN L., February 28

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania  
 PEACHEY, Jonas (Susie Swarey) Belleville  
 a daughter KATIE, March 3

Somerset County, Pennsylvania  
 YODER, Bennie C. (Mary Ann Kinsinger) Springs,  
 Star Rt., a daughter MALINDA MAE, March 3  
 YODER, David Jr. (Rosie Peachey) Meyersdale  
 a son FREEMAN, March 16  
 YODER, Floyd P. (Katie Renno) Salisbury R1  
 a daughter EFFIE, February 28

Indiana County, Pennsylvania  
 WEAVER, Raymond (Sarah Miller  
 twin boys, ABIE and ATLEE, March 31  
 YODER, Mahlon (Esther Keim)  
 a son LEANDER, March 11

Conewango Valley, New York  
 BYLER, Atlee A. Jr. (Betty Miller)  
 a son CHRISTY, March 1  
 KAUFFMAN, Neil C. (Elizabeth Detweiler)  
 a daughter ELLA, March 15  
 MILLER, Dave S. (Edna Miller)  
 a son LEVI, March 23

Geauga County, Ohio  
 BYLER, Harvey W. (Katie S. Yoder)  
 a daughter MARTHA  
 MILLER, Deacon Jerry J. (Ida J. Slaubach)  
 a son JOHNNY  
 MILLER, William J. (Esther A. Byler)  
 a son ANDREW  
 TROYER, Crist J. (Ella Miller)  
 a daughter ADA, March 10

Holmes County, Ohio  
 BEACHY, John B. (Mary Schrock) Millersburg R5  
 a daughter KATHRYN, February 4  
 ERB, Andy L. (Mary Ann Miller)  
 a son LEVI, March 20  
 HERSHBERGER, Andrew A. (Fannie P. Stutzman)  
 Millersburg R5, a son HENRY, March 25  
 HERSHBERGER, John J. (Lydia Miller)  
 a daughter LAURA, March 9  
 HERSHBERGER, Robert D. (Iva M. Miller) Dundee R2  
 a daughter KATIE, March 12  
 KEIM, Mose L. (Erma Weaver) Millersburg R5  
 a son IVAN, March 23  
 MILLER, Albert A. (Fannie J. Troyer) Fredericksburg  
 R2, a daughter VERBA, March 17  
 MILLER, Daniel I. (Mary Yoder)  
 a daughter EMMA, March 25  
 MILLER, Dan J. (Mattie Mast)  
 a son ELI, March 14

MILLER, Jonas L. M. (Cindy Yoder) Millersburg R5  
 a son LEROY, January 31  
 MILLER, Junior M. (Mary Coblentz) Millersburg R5  
 a daughter DIANA  
 MILLER, Mike D. (Edna A. Yoder) Millersburg R5  
 a son MARVIN, March 24  
 MILLER, Roman J. (Susie Yoder)  
 a daughter ANNA  
 RABER, Jonas E. (Barbara Yoder)  
 a son ANDY  
 RABER, Jonathan L. (Katie Troyer)  
 a daughter VERBA  
 SCHLABACH, Robert C. (Ada M. Weaver) Millersburg,  
 Star Route, a son JAMES, March 10  
 TROYER, Atlee J. (Ida Miller) Millersburg R5  
 a son ATLEE JR.  
 TROYER, John M. (Ada Coblentz) Holmesville R1  
 a daughter ERMA FAYE, March 13  
 YODER, Levi E. (Esther Burkholder) Millersburg R5  
 twins sons DAVID and DENNIS, February 28  
 YODER, Roman D. (Alma Troyer)  
 a son DAVID

Wayne County, Ohio  
 MILLER, Andy (Alta Schlabach)  
 a daughter DOROTHY, March 13  
 MILLER, Levi J. D. (Ada Yoder)  
 a son ROMAN, March 21  
 WEAVER, Ivan (Clara Hershberger)  
 a daughter, March 23

Ashland County, Ohio  
 TROYER, John (Mary Miller) Shiloh  
 a son ABE, March 16

New Haven, Indiana  
 GRABER, Lavern (Martha Graber) Grabill  
 a daughter CAROLYN, March 16  
 LENGACHER, Lewis (Laura Steury) Spencerville  
 a daughter LAVINA, March 28  
 LENGACHER, Rudy (Delila Graber) Grabill  
 a son WILBUR, March 24  
 SCHMUCKER, David (Emma Schmucker) Woodburn  
 a son NOAH JACOB, March 19  
 SCHMIDT, David (Mary Schmucker)  
 a son MARCUS, March 2

Adams County, Indiana  
 EICHER, Jake J. (Edith Schwartz) Geneva R2  
 a son SAM, January 28  
 GRABER, John J. (Barbara Hilty) Geneva R2  
 a son JOE, March 7  
 HILTY, John S. (Lydia Graber) Geneva R2  
 a daughter LYDIA, March 13  
 SCHWARTZ, Enos A. (Emma E. Troyer) Monroe R1  
 a daughter ELIZABETH, March 16  
 SCHWARTZ, Joe U. (Rosie H. Schwartz) Geneva R2  
 a daughter ANNA, March 14  
 SCHWARTZ, John N. (Susie E. Troyer) Monroe R1  
 a son SIMON, March 23  
 SCHWARTZ, Peter H. (Elizabeth E. Schwartz) Monroe  
 R1, a daughter ELIZABETH, March 19



## BIRTHS, Continued

## LaGrange County, Indiana

BEECHY, Alvin (Wilma Schrock) LaGrange R4  
 a daughter MALINDA, March 12  
 BONTRAGER, Joseph (Esther Farmwald) LaGrange  
 a son MERVIN J., February 23  
 BONTRAGER, William E. (Lettie Eash) LaGrange R3  
 a son MERVIN W., March 6  
 CHUPP, David (Lena Miller) Topeka R2  
 a daughter ROSETTA, March 7  
 FRY, Harley (Alice Hostetler) Topeka R2  
 twins, a son LaVERN, a daughter LaVERDA, Feb. 24  
 FRY, Glen (Anna W. Yoder) Topeka R1  
 a son DANIEL RAY, March 17  
 HELMUTH, Owen (Irene Miller) Topeka R1  
 a daughter RUTH ANN, March 9  
 LEHMAN, Daniel D. (Ada Bontrager) Topeka R2  
 a daughter ESTHER, March 4  
 LEHMAN, Elva (Ida Miller) LaGrange R4  
 a daughter, March 12  
 LEHMAN, Ernest (Linda Jones) LaGrange R1  
 a son MARK ANTHONY, February 23  
 LEHMAN, Perry Jay (Ida Mae Bontrager) Topeka  
 February 25  
 MAST, Ervin S. (Ruby Wingard) Middlebury R1  
 a daughter CALOLYN E., March 9  
 MAST, Levi Jay (Ruth Helmuth) LaGrange R1  
 a son RICHARD ALLEN, March 19  
 MILLER, Alvin N. (Alice Bontrager) Millersburg R2  
 a daughter WILMA, March 23  
 MILLER, Jacob S. (Edna Yoder) LaGrange R4  
 a daughter ALTA FERN, February 27  
 MILLER, Orla P. (Vera Mullet) Topeka R1  
 a son GALEN WAYNE, March 16  
 MILLER, Maynard (Barbara Wickey) Topeka R2  
 a daughter NEVA, March 22  
 MILLER, Willard (Luella Mast) LaGrange R2  
 a son MOSE EUGENE, March 4  
 RABER, Lloyd (Edna Bontrager) Topeka R2  
 a daughter LENA, February 20  
 SCHROCK, Perry L. (Wilma Raber) Topeka R1  
 a son LEVI J., March 21  
 SCHWARTZ, Levi (Anna Gingerich) Middlebury  
 a son JOHN, March 9  
 TROYER, Harry Jay (Mary Ellen Helmuth) Shipshewana  
 R2, a son LA MAR DALE, March 7  
 WEAVER, Freeman J. (Mary Yoder) Topeka R1  
 a son LARRY J., March 14  
 WEAVER, Harley (Ella Kurtz) LaGrange R4  
 a son WILMER J., February 24

## Kokomo, Indiana

YODER, Daniel D. (Irene Gingerich) Greentown R2  
 a daughter REGINA, March 27

## Lakeside, Ontario, Canada

GRABER, David S. (Erma Yoder) St. Marys R4  
 a daughter ESTHER, March 14

## Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada

BORNTRAGER, Samuel and Magdalena  
 a son HARVEY, March 8

## Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Amos (Naomi Knepp)  
 a son, February 4  
 GRABER, Ben (Lovina Wagler)  
 a daughter SUSAN, January 11  
 GRABER, David (Rosanna Yoder)  
 a daughter DOROTHY, January 11  
 GRABER, David (Miriam Knepp)  
 a daughter ANGELIA KAY, March 3  
 GRABER, Harry (Rosemary Knepp)  
 a daughter, February 17  
 GRABER, Jacob (Naomi Miller)  
 a son ALBERT, February 7  
 GRABER, John J. (Lydia Wagler)  
 a son JOHN JR., January 26  
 GRABER, Ora (Mary Graber)  
 a son MATTHEW, March 3  
 KEMP, Amos (Naomi Wittmer)  
 a daughter DELIAH JEAN, January 15  
 KNEPP, Ivan (Bertha Graber)  
 a daughter, February 15  
 LENGACHERS, Ora, a son died January  
 lived a short while  
 WAGLER, Ben (Katie Knepp)  
 a daughter JENNIFER, February 25  
 WAGLER, Dwayne (Joan Graber)  
 a daughter, January 17  
 WAGLER, Leonard (Alta Knepp)  
 a son NATHAN, January 1  
 WAGLER, Martin (Marie Graber)  
 a son DELMAR JOSEPH, December 28, 1972  
 WAGLER, Vernon (Deliah Raber)  
 a daughter MARGARET ROSE, January 11  
 WITTMER, Enos (Barbara Stoll)  
 a son LEON, February 7

## Buchanan County, Iowa

HERSHBERGER, Neal N. (Clara Bontrager) Fairbank  
 a son DAVID, March 31  
 KAUFFMAN, Eli (Lorene Detweiler) Hazleton  
 a son ANDY, March 1  
 MILLER, Perry L. (Emma Yutzy) Hazleton  
 a daughter EDNA, in March

## Johnson County, Iowa

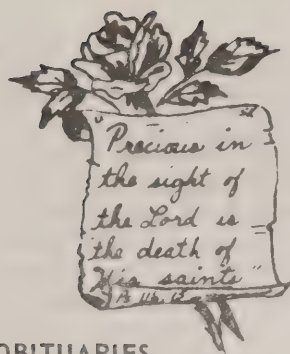
BEACHY, Eldon (Fannie Hershberger)  
 a son TOBY, February 1  
 SWANTZ, John Harvey (Fannie Mae Borkholder)  
 a son JOHN DAVID

## Jamesport, Missouri

MAST, Menno A. (Lucy Kauffman)  
 a son ERVIN, March 6  
 YODER, Daniel H. (Nancy Schrock)  
 a son JOHN HENRY, March 13

## Cashton, Wisconsin

MILLER, Sam L. (Katie Fisher) Cashton R3  
 a daughter EDNA, March 22  
 SCHMUCKER, Menno (Emma Beachy) Cashton R3  
 a son JOHN, March 4



## OBITUARIES

**BEILER, Mrs. Rebecca S., 62, of Ronks R1, Pa.**

wife of Stephen Beiler, died in her home Sunday, March 25, at 3 a.m., of an apparent heart attack. She had a heart condition but didn't seem serious. Seemed extra good on Saturday. That evening her son Davids, living at the other end of the house, had a singing for some friends and she was looking forward to it. Seemed to enjoy it, even sat at the table to sing awhile. Was helping to sing praises to God till almost midnight. Said goodnight to everybody in a jolly way and retired to her bed, never to awaken on this earth.

She was born in Lancaster County, a daughter of David B. Zook, of Bird-in-Hand R1, and the late Katie (Stoltzfus) Zook. Surviving besides her husband and father is a step-mother, Sally (Yoder) Zook; seven daughters, Fannie, wife of Samuel Stoltzfoos, of Gap R2; Mary, wife of Jacob Stoltzfoos, of Kinzers R1; Barbara, wife of Jacob King, of Willow Street; Sallie, wife of Amos Stoltzfus, of Witmer; Ida, wife of Iddo Brenneman, of Springs, Pa.; Nancy and Katie, both at home; two sons, David S. Beiler, of Ronks R1, and Samuel, at home; these half-brothers and half-sisters, Isaac N. Zook, of Narvon R1, Samuel S., Katie and Bena Zook, all of Lancaster RD; and Emma, Suvilla, and Lavina, all of Bird-in-Hand R1.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Joel Zook and Samuel U. Fisher; hymn read by Ephraim King at house, and Bishop Jonas S. Lapp at graveyard; burial was at Myers Cemetery.

**FISHER, Mrs. Mary Z., 85, of Soudersburg, Pa.**

died in her home Monday, March 12, at 8:40 p.m. In May of 1965 she had a stroke and did not leave the house after that. She spent her time in bed or on the wheel chair. She had to be fed the last two years but still came to the table on the wheel chair till last summer. Then she was no longer able to sit on the wheel chair but was confined to the bedroom. She was on her usual schedule the last day, and died on the chair after taking her bedtime medication.

Born in Lancaster County, she was a daughter of the late Samuel U. and Elizabeth (Zook) Stoltzfus, and was the widow of Benjamin B. Fisher, who died September 5, 1958. She is survived by four daughters and one son: Elizabeth, wife of James Stoltzfoos, of Gap R2; Martha, wife of John O. Miller, of Honey Brook R2; Emanuel S. Fisher, of Lancaster; and Ada and Sara, both at home; also seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; a sister, Anna, wife of Amos L. Beiler, of Narvon R2, and a brother, Elmer Z. Stoltzfus, of Kinzers R1.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Joseph S. Fisher; hymn "Ich hab mein sacht Gott heimgestellt," by Daniel L. Stoltzfus. Further services were held at the home of Elam H. Fisher, by John K. Lapp and Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus; hymn "Endlich, endlich muss es doch" by Samuel U. Fisher; at graveyard, hymn "Nun bringen wir den leib zur ruh," by Lloyd Beiler; abscheid by Ephraim K. King. Pallbearers were three grandsons, J. Paul Miller, Edward R. Beachy, and Kenneth Lee Miller, and three nephews, Norman Beiler, Daniel S. Fisher, and Samuel M. Fisher; burial was at Beiler Cemetery.

**HELMUTH, Kenneth R., 33, of Bremen R1, Ind.**

died Sunday morning, March 11, at his home following an extended illness. He was born November 15, 1939, near Bremen and was a lifetime resident of that community. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Helmuth, who survive. Also surviving are six sisters and five brothers: Mrs. Ruth Mast of LaGrange, Rebecca Helmuth at home; Fern Helmuth and Mrs. Katie Schwartz and Mrs. Sylvia Schwartz, all of Nappanee; Mrs. Clara Schwartz of Etna Green; V. Lee and Wayne, both of Etna Green, Paul of Nappanee, and Glen and Christ, both at home.

Funeral services were held in the Jonas Kuhns residence by Bishop Eli Yoder; burial was in the Burkholder Cemetery.

**HERSHBERGER, Katie, 77, Fredericksburg, Ohio**

died February 24. She was the wife of Simon Hershberger. Surviving are her husband, five sons, Andrew of St. Petersburg, Fla., Alvin, Emanuel and Simon, all of Fredericksburg R2, and Samuel of Canton; four daughters, Mrs. Simon D. (Barbara) Miller, of Navarre, Mrs. Elizabeth Keim of Charm, Amanda of the home and Mrs. Dan (Ella) Miller of Apple Creek; two brothers, John E. Miller of Holmesville, and Emanuel E. Miller of Fredericksburg; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Mast, Mrs. Sarah Miller, and Mrs. Abe E. Raber, all of Fredericksburg; and 28 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Levi J. Miller; burial was in Hershberger Cemetery in Salt-creek Township.

**KNEPP, Mrs. Rachel, 67, Montgomery R1, Ind.**

died at 3:25 a.m. March 20, at Good Samaritan Hospital. She was born in Daviess County Jan. 10, 1906, daughter of John H. and Barbara (Yoder) Stoll. In 1921 she married John Knepp, who survives. Also surviving are 5 sons, Ezra Knepp, Sarasota, Fla., Abraham, Homer, Ervin, and Lester Knepp, all of Montgomery; three daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Verda) Knepp, Montgomery, Mrs. Francis (Viola) Graber, of Odon, and Rachel Knepp, at home; 56 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Susan Wittmer and Mrs. Anna Knepp, and two brothers, John Stoll and Abraham Stoll, all of Montgomery. Three brothers, one sister, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Ben E. Wagler and Bishop Fred W. Knepp; hymn read by Ben Graber; burial was in Stoll Cemetery.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

MILLER, Daniel R., 72, Goshen R6, Indiana

was killed in an auto accident in Tennessee, (see front page). He is survived by his wife, the former Katie J. Schrock, to whom he was married April 6, 1924; two daughters, Mrs. Crist (Viola) Miller, Goshen, and Mrs. Lloyd (Lydia) Hershberger, Clinton Township; five sons, Mahlon and Ora, both of Goshen; Melvin, Elkhart; Levi, Garden Grove, Calif.; and Olin, Phoenix, Ariz.; 18 grandchildren; two brothers, Mahlon M. Miller, Sarasota, Fla. and Andrew R. Miller, Phoenix, Ariz.; and three sisters, Mrs. Jerry E. (Mary Ann) Byler, Middlefield, Ohio, Mrs. Amos (Rachael) Mast, Sarasota, and Mrs. Levi C. (Clara) Miller, Millersburg, Ohio. Two children, two brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the Henry A. Yoder residence by Bishop Perry Nisley; burial was in the Thomas Cemetery, east of Goshen.

MILLER, Bishop Jacob J., 68, Indiana Co., Pa.

died March 28, after several heart attacks and much suffering, at the age of 68 yrs, and 10 months. Originally from Middlefield, Geauga Co., Ohio, they moved here 2 years ago. His wife died 1½ years ago. There were services in three different places. Preaching was by Jacob Stoltzfus from Brush Valley, Ben Shetler from the home church; Amos Stoltzfus from Lancaster Co. and John Schlabach from the home church; and Samuel U. Stoltzfus and Samuel L. Stoltzfus, both from Lancaster, County, Pennsylvania.

MILLER, Jacob J., 85, of Sugarcreek R2, Ohio

died Wednesday, March 21, due to a heart condition. Surviving are his wife, Fannie Kurtz; four daughters, Mrs. Andrew A. (Amanda) Hershberger, Mrs. Eli J.M. (Katie) Miller, Maryann, widow of Dan N. Stutzman, and Miss Lydia J. Miller of Millersburg R4; 18 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren. His first wife, Lydia A. Miller, died in 1919. Five brothers and four sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Melvin J. Raber and Pre. Levi J. Yoder; burial was at the home farm.

MILLER, Magdalena F., 80, Bowling Green R3, Mo.

died March 2 in her home after a 15 month illness. She was born May 14, 1892 in LaGrange Co., Ind., the daughter of Jonathan J. and Fannie Miller, was married to Harve D. Yoder at Thomas, Okla., March 6, 1919. Surviving are her husband, and daughter, Maryann, married to Jacob J.B. Miller, and four grandchildren.

MILLER, Mrs. Levi B. (Rebecca), Arthur, Illinois

died March 13, at the age of 79 yr., 3 mo., 28 days. Cause of death was flu and pneumonia. She was born September 15, 1893, the daughter of Pre. Joseph D. and Anna (Yoder) Schrock. Married Levi B. Miller, December 21, 1915. lived in matrimony 57 yr., 2 mo., 22 days. She is survived by her husband, 3 sons, 3 daughters, 2 brothers, 2 sisters, 39 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Levi J. Yoder, of Milton, Iowa; Pete Eicher, Daviess Co., Ind.; Levi J. Chupp, Arthur; psalm by Dea. Levi D. Yoder, Kalona, Iowa; burial in Yoder Cemetery.

SCHLAUBAUGH, Maryann J., 95, Arthur, Illinois

died March 25, at the age of 95 yr., 2 mo., 3 days. She was born January 22, 1878 at Millersburg, Ohio, the daughter of Jeremiah and Lucyann (Schwartzentruber) Miller. Married Solomon Schlabaugh December 17, 1903, he died in 1953, lived in matrimony 50 yrs. To this union were born 3 children, 2 died in infancy, one daughter, Elizabeth, remains at Arthur.

Funeral services were held at the home of Enos Schrock, by Bishop Henry Miller and Andy Schrock; psalm by Levi Hershberger from Ohio; burial was in the Otto Cemetery.

SCHMUCKER, Anna, 57, of Ft. Wayne R9, Indiana

wife of David Schmucker, died March 18, at home after an illness since October. A daughter of the late Peter and Lydia (Delagrange) Graber, she is survived by her husband, a son Joseph of Ft. Wayne R9; a daughter, Mrs. Andy (Emma) Graber, and David Jr., Daniel and Enos, at home; also two sisters, Mrs. Menno (Caroline) Schwartz, Mrs. Enos (Esther) Steury and a brother, Elmer, and a stepmother, Mrs. Anna (Delagrange) Graber.

Funeral services were held at the home by Pre. Noah Graber. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery at Grabill, Indiana.

SCHROCK, David J., 71, of Kalona, Iowa

died at the home of their daughter, the Roman Yoders of Pinecraft, Fla., where they resided since September. Cancer was the cause of his death. The body was brought to Kalona for funeral and burial. Services were held at the home of Toby J. Millers, Wednesday, March 28; burial was in the Peter Miller Cemetery. He was the oldest son of Joseph D. and Rachel (Christner) Schrock, who preceded him in death. Surviving are his widow, Edna (Miller), and a family of about 10 children, and also about that number of brothers and sisters.

SHETLER, Pre. Eli J., 71, of Sugarcreek R2, Ohio

died Friday, March 23, in his home after a long illness, he had been bedfast since July. Born in Holmes County, a son of Jacob M. and Mary (Miller) Shetler, he resided at his present address 30 years. Surviving are his widow, Malinda (Beachy) Shetler; five sons, Ivan of the home, John of R1 and Vernon, both of Sugarcreek, Levi of Baltic R1, and Melvin of Millersburg R4; a twin brother and four sisters, Levi J. Shetler of Middlebury, Ind., Mrs. Katie Mast of R5, Millersburg, Mrs. Lydia Troyer and Mrs. Jeff (Amanda) Miller of Baltic R1, and Mrs. Mary Ann Miller of R1, Dundee; a half-brother and half-sister, Atlee of Buchanan County, Iowa, and Mrs. Yost (Sarah) Miller of Conewango Valley, N. Y.; 23 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sons, a brother, two sisters, a half-sister and two half-brothers.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Noah Coblentz; burial was in the Coblentz Cemetery.

**STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Mary B., 45, of Gap R1, Pa.**

wife of Amos E. Stoltzfus, was killed Tuesday, April 3 (see front page). Born in Lancaster County, she was the daughter of Mrs. Fannie D. (Beiler) Fisher, Ronks R1, and the late Amos S. Fisher. She is survived by eight children, Malinda, David Ira, Levi, Amos, Fannie, Elizabeth, Jonathan, and Samuel, all at home and the following brothers and sisters: Annie, wife of Benjamin F. Beiler, Paradise R1; Jonathan B. Fisher, Coatesville R2; Katie, wife of Jacob K. Blank, Kinzers R1; Jacob K. Fisher, Ronks R1; Andrew B. Fisher, New Holland; Isaac L. Fisher, East Earl R1; Amos S. Fisher, Lancaster, and Fannie Ruth, wife of Abner King, Rebersburg, Pa.

Funeral services were held by Stephen U. Zook and Amos F. Stoltzfus; burial at Millwood Cemetery.

**STOLTZFUS, Stephen, Narvon R1, Pa.**

son of John S. and Anna (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, died Friday March 2, at the age of 2 months and 20 days. He was pronounced dead on arrival at the Lancaster General Hospital at 10:15 a.m. of an acute intestinal infection. He was born December 10, 1972. Besides his parents, he is survived by three sisters and three brothers, Ruth Ann, Rebecca, Hannah, Benuel, John Jr., and Paul David; the maternal grandparents, Stephen and Rebecca Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; the paternal grandparents, Daniel L. and Hannah Narvon R1; a great grandmother, Mrs. Emma Stoltzfus, Narvon R1; and a great grandfather, Eli S. King, of Bird-in-Hand R1.

John Stoltzfus; hymn "Ich war ein kleines Kindlein" read by Jonathan Lantz; at graveyard, hymn "Gott lob die stund ist kommen" read by David E. Stoltzfus; abschied by Elam Zook; burial in Mast's Cemetery.

**STUTZMAN, Menno, 62, of Arthur, Illinois**

died March 14, at the age of 62 yr., 1 mo., 3 days. Born February 11, 1911, he was the son of Levi and Gertrude (Schrock) Stutzman. Married December 21, 1933 to Anna, daughter of John and Jemima (Beiler) Mast, lived in matrimony 39 yr., 2 mo., 23 days. To this union were born 1 son and 4 daughters. Survivors are the wife, son and daughters.

Funeral services were held in the two houses and feed mill basement; in the big house by Bishop Henry Miller, John Schrock and Ervin Schrock; in basement by Wm. Schrock, Bishop Wm. Mast and Dea. Lester Jess; in little house by Bishop David Beachey, David Schrock and Dea. Joe A. Yoder; burial in Miller Cem.

**WENGERD, Ada (Yoder), 61, Millersburg R5, Ohio**

wife of Eli D. Wengerd, died March 5, at Pomrene Hospital. She was born January 22, 1912, a daughter of Atlee E. and Fannie (Wengerd) Weaver. She was married first time to Andy D. Yoder November 8, 1932 who died January 31, 1958. She was married second time to Eli D. Wengerd, who survives. Children surviving are Aden A. Yoder, Millersburg R5; Atlee A. Yoder, Millersburg, Star Route; Mrs. Noah A. (Clara) Troyer, Millersburg, Star Rt.; Mrs. Henry J. (Fannie) Beachy, Sugarcreek; Mrs. Adam A. (Barbara) Yoder,

Fredericksburg R2; Mrs. Henry O. (Mary) Yoder, R5, Millersburg; Mrs. Dale A. (Mae) Schlabach, Millersburg R5; 4 stepsons and 7 stepdaughters.

Funeral services were held in the home by Bishop John Frey and Roy L. Schlabach, and at two other houses, by Bishop Abe N. Miller and Min. Wm. Troyer, and Ministers Joe M. Miller, Crist Kaufman, and Enos Miller.

**YODER, Noah C., 92, of Arthur, Illinois**

died March 3, at the age of 92 yr., 8 mo., 20 days. He was born in Holmes County, Ohio June 20, 1880. Married Eliza, daughter of Jerry and Fannie (Bender) Yoder September 1, 1903; she died September 9, 1963; lived in matrimony 60 yr. and 8 days. Born to this union were 6 sons and five daughters, 73 grandchildren, and 144 great-grandchildren also survive. One daughter, one son, five brothers, and a sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Edward Nisley and Min. Jeff Miller; psalm read by Sam Bowman from Ohio; burial in the Otto Cemetery.

**ZOOK, Mrs. Katie, 86, Leola R1, Pa.**

died at her home Friday, March 2. She had been under the care of a physician. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Eli B. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus. Her husband, Amos B. Zook, died in 1965. She is survived by four sons, Eli S. Zook, Stevens R1; Samuel S. Zook, Christiana R1; John S. Zook, Kinzers R1; and Elam S. Zook, Leola R1; five daughters, Emma, wife of Noah Esh, Gap R2; Lizzie, wife of Elias Bawell, Gap R2; Mima, wife of Daniel M. King, Leola R1; Rachel, wife of David R. Glick Jr., and Miriam, wife of John P. Speicher, both of Lancaster; 71 grandchildren: 54 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Samuel F. Stoltzfus, Paradise R1, and Elam F. Stoltzfus, Leola R1; two sisters, Mrs. Fannie Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3, and Lydia, wife of Emanuel Lapp, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held by Benjamin Fisher and Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; burial was in Myers Cemetery.

**ZOOK, Samuel F., 92, Myerstown R2, Pa.**

died on his 92nd birthday, at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, March 24. Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of the late Eli and Mattie (Fisher) Zook. His wife, Annie (Beiler) Zook preceded him in death in Sept. 1957. Surviving are two sons, Jacob B. of Lancaster R5, and David B. of Paradise R1; two daughters, Rachel, wife of Jacob King, of Myerstown R2, and Sarah, wife of Ammon U. Fisher, Myerstown, with whom he resided; 28 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Malinda Kuepher, of Bareville, Pa.

Funeral services were held at the residence by David Smoker and Bishop Isaac Zook; hymn read by Sam Wickey, Ind.; at graveyard hymn was read by Deacon David Peachey; abschied by David M. Lapp. Burial was at the Amish Cemetery. Pallbearers were four grandsons, Samuel Zook, Samuel Zook, Samuel King, and Samuel King.



# MARCH

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## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil Hershberger

March brought us mild weather with plenty of rain, totaling 6.3 inches, and several thunder storms. On the 26th, in the evening, a severe hailstorm passed thru the Amish settlement, dumping two inches of hail at the center of the storm. However, the path of the hail was not wide, perhaps less than one half mile. Hailstones were not of unusual size, about marble size. The storm centered around the Jacob Stutzman and Simon Swartzentruber farms. Mattie King scooped up enough to fill the ice box. Coldest temperature for March was 29 degrees on the 23rd. Grass and legumes are well started, a good possibility for early pasture. Fall grains wintered extra good. Some spring oats are in, and up already. Our first purple martin came on the 16th.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

The first week of March was damp and drizzly, except 1st and 2nd. Had more rain the 11th, 16th, 17th, 22nd, 27th, and 31st. I didn't get the amount. We had a thunderstorm the 16th. Quite a bit of plowing is done. Only one light frost in March. Over the weekend of the 19th we had very strong winds. Some trees were uprooted. A lot of watermen lost their fishnets, and some wharfs on the river were damaged. Garden things are showing. We haven't seen a snow-plow for two winters now. Right now, April 1, we're having a hailstorm.

Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

March was mild and spring-like, about average rainfall, and a few snow flurries. Most of spring plowing is done in this area, about 50% of oats sowed. Winter grain looks good except some low spots are "froze out."

Jacob Swareys and John Wengerts started house-keeping in this valley in March.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

The month of March was warm until the 18th. On the 17th we got wind, first from the south, then from the south, then from the west, which continued thru the 18th, bringing colder weather, down to 18 degrees one morning. But we had hardly any snow like they did in Northern Indiana and Ohio. In the last week it warmed up again. We have lettuce, radishes, etc. up in the garden. Not much rain, hardly 1½ inches.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 2.9 inches.

Market Report: Prime Steers topped market again this month, on the week of the 15th, at \$50.25 Cwt., with a 2.00 decline the last two weeks. A Charola Bull sold for 50.35 Cwt. Veal Market was \$77 back to \$74.00 Cwt. Last month had an error for heiffer calves, should have been \$1.07 per lb. The Fat Hog Market also hit an all time high again at 41.50 Cwt., with an \$8 to \$10 decline in two weeks, and the three last days of the month they put it back on again, almost what they took off. Dairy cows at New Holland sold \$450 to \$850 a Head; Large Eggs back to 49¢ Doz.; Potatoes, retail, 7.00 to 8.00 Cwt.; Hay, \$41 to \$91 Ton; Straw, \$31 to \$38 Ton; Ear Corn, \$41 to \$52 Ton; 1.80 Bu.; Wheat, 2.30 Bu.; Barley, 1.30 Bu.; Oats, 1.20 Bu.

by Ammon F. Fisher

March started in like a lamb, near 70 degrees, cloudy and damp. St. Patrick's Day was stormy with rain, next two days windy with 30 degree temperature, a few snow flurries. First day of Spring had warmer weather again. The 30th and 31st had very good April showers. 2.9 inches of rain in March. March did not go out like a lion. We had a very mild winter. A lot of plowing done in March. Meadows and grass fields are growing fast.

by Elam S. Beiler

Farmers were plowing, and hauling manure this past month as weather permitted. Some are almost done plowing, as it was fit to plow several days each month this past, open winter. Also helping rebuild barns and a house that burned down. Tobacco beds are being steamed, and most of them were sowed in March. Meadows and winter grains are greening and starting to grow. Some lawns were mowed. Early vegetables are planted in gardens. Quite a few farmers were sowing straight seeded alfalfa this spring.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens L. Nissley

First two weeks in March had real spring-like weather with lots of east wind, a few light showers, very poor sap weather. The 17th we had thunder showers, and late p.m. it cooled off, with some sleet. Morning of 18th it was snowing and snowed all day, 6 inches in all, a lot of it melted as it came down. The week of the 20th we had good freezing and thawing, sap run good, then it warmed up again. Maple syrup was only about half a run. Lots of plowing done in last ten days, some gardens made.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

Most of the March winds came from the 17th to the 20th, but the snow which some oldtimers predicted did not come yet. About 3.2 inches of rain for the month. More field work was done this month than usual, and, as far as I know, those who still sow some oats, have it done already. Also about half or more of the spring plowing is done. Mother earth is greening again, and robins start early in the morning with their cheerful notes. Must be they don't worry about the high cost of living like we human beings do.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

March was a very mild and pleasant month. The first day was a very beautiful one. A few typical March days, with clouds, sun, wind, and rain, all in one day. We had 14 cloudy days and a few partly cloudy ones. A rainbow was seen the morning of the 12th, and again a beautiful one on March 17th. March 18th we had a cold wind with snow squalls, but not measurable, or roads closed as reported in other areas. Lowest temperature, 20 degrees; 2 inches rainfall. Many geese have been seen flying north during March. Robins and bluebirds are back. The farmers are busy plowing, a few have sowed oats. Women are spading and planting garden. Pastures and lawns are a beautiful green. I mowed yard the last day of March. Hyacinths and crocuses are blooming.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

March was a fairly warm month with some cloudy and rainy days, but also nice, warm and sunny days, with the exception of the weekend of the 18th. It started snowing and blowing in the p.m. of the 17th and kept it up the 18th. Was still quite windy the 19th, but got warmer and the snow started to melt, was mostly gone again by the end of the week. There wasn't so much snow as wind according to some places. A few places where the snow fences were taken away the roads drifted some, but traffic wasn't completely shut off at any time. Temperature was in the 20s then. Not much maple syrup was made this year, and seems to be about past. Trees are budded, and the last syrup is sappy. Men folks are plowing when weather permits. Several early gardeners have planted a few peas and sowed the hotbeds.

### Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

March was unusually warm, which greened the grass and swelled some tree buds. Had a heavy rain the 14th, turned colder the 17th, with a blizzard over the week end. A lot of plowing has been done. Sugar-ing was a short season this year. Saw the first Purple Martin March 27, which is two days earlier than I have ever seen any before.

### Crawford County, Pa., by Menno E. Fisher

We had mostly warm and spring-like weather, except March 17th and 18th we had a blizzard. The roads were closed except for horse and buggy. We had baptismal services Sunday in spite of rough traveling. Farmers are plowing, no gardens planted yet. One early bird sowed oats.

### Warren County, Pa., by Joe A. Byler

The first half of March was like spring, then we had a cold spell with a snow storm and zero weather for a few days. The last week it has been very nice with temperature up to 60 degrees. The maple syrup season was short with about a half crop, selling for from \$8.00 to 12.00 a gallon. Little pigs are selling high, from \$18 to \$22 each for six-week-old pigs.

### Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

The beginning of March was mild, around the middle of the month over St. Patrick's Day we had high winds and heavy rains, also snow flurries. The farmers were busy getting ready to sow oats and alfalfa. Quite a bit of plowing done in March. Still a lot of building construction going in the community.

### Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

March came in like a lamb, and it seemed like spring came in with it. Temperatures for the month were above normal, with one day at 71 degrees, the lowest for the month was 27 degrees. There was no measurable snow in March, although there were flurries. Had some stormy weather the 17th, 18th, and 19th. Total rainfall for the month was 2.74 inches. Farmers were able to get some plowing done, haul manure, and spread fertilizer. Some oats has been sowed. Grass and grain fields look fair. Some early gardens are planted. Here and there a lawn was mowed. Frogs or peepers have been rejoicing that spring is here the forepart of March already. The Purple Martins are looking for a home.

### Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Menno E. Miller

March came in like a lamb, but the lion has done its share of coming, too. We had a real snow storm over the 17th, but has been nice since. Trees are showing more buds, too. Maple syrup season is short this year, only about half of the usual amount. The farmers got an early start in plowing this year, a lot of sod was turned in March. Reports are Lake Erie was not frozen over this winter, and the freighters are making their routes already, where usually it goes until the last of April that the ice is off.

### Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

Weather for March was mild, with the exception of a severe snow storm. But that gave us another sap run, but sugaring was a short crop this spring. Men folks are plowing to get their spring crops in.

by John H. Hershberger

The weather for the month of March has been most unusual. The first two weeks were with hardly a frost, and temperatures in the 50s and 60s during the day. Then the third week we had a northwestern snow storm, blocking many roads, over the weekend of the 18th. Temperatures in the morning were in the 20s for seven days straight, and not warming up enough to make a good sap run. The last week of the month temperatures were in the 30s and 40s, and warming up some during the day. Unless April weather brings a good sugar run, this will be the shortest season to my knowledge. According to the A.S.C. letter there has been no reports of any buddy syrup yet, and County Agent Schular urges farmers to hang on, and retap if necessary, as every gallon is worth some money. "Remember," he says, "We made a lot of syrup the first week of April last year."



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The weather for March was very mild, with an above average rainfall. The evening of March 14 our valley was flooded, washing out bridges, and causing a lot of erosion. The coldest for the month was 20 above, and the highest was 70 degrees. Pastures and hay fields are getting green.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

March came in like a lamb. A hard rain and thunder the 14th, a big snow storm the 17th and 18th, lots of drifts, temperature around 20 degrees. This month also went out like a lamb, mild and wet weather, which delayed plowing. The maple syrup run was very little this spring due to mild weather.

by Jonas Borntrager

March was an unusual month, lots of mild weather, came as a lamb, has to make some sudden changes if it don't go out as a lamb. Had a little winter weather about the middle of the month, also some rain. Lots of plowing done. Wheat and grass has made a good growth already. Some folks have mowed their lawns.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

We had quite a variation in weather during March. Many days were very mild and spring-like with some rain. However, on the 16th and 17th we had a snow blizzard, closing many north-south roads. Pastures have greened up nicely. Most of the sod has been plowed in our immediate vicinity. Appears like an earlier spring than usual

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of March we had spring weather, with occasional cold snaps, enough wet weather that not too much oats ground is plowed yet. Grass fields are coming out nicely. Wheat fields in bottom land do not all look too good, due to wet places. Still some farm sales, with things bringing a good price. Hog market got a set back the latter part of March. Health is good as far as I am aware of.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

March came in as a lamb, only 8 mornings below freezing, a low of 23, Friday the 23rd. Had a real snow storm over the weekend of the 17th, but only about 3 inches of snow. A few roads were drifted, only time this winter. March also went out as a lamb, was 70 degrees on April 1st. Steers went up to \$50, and fat hogs to \$41, then the housewives got after Nixon, and N.F.O. got involved. Hogs dropped around 3.00 to 4.00 Cwt, a few days in succession, next day up 4.00. I suppose if the women go meatless the first week in April they will be good customers the second week. I understand Nixon put a ceiling on wholesale and retail meat, but not on live hogs. The ceiling being so high, will be an introduction for meat to sell higher later on.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

Was very nice spring weather the first two weeks in March. Some plowing and garden planting was done. Then on Saturday, March 17 it was 54 degrees. and very windy, rain and turned to snow. Snowed all night, and temperature dropped to 21 degrees. Had a lot of high drifts, and some roads closed Sunday.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The forepart of March was very warm, till around the 16th it suddenly turned colder. Had a real snow storm over the weekend of St. Patrick's Day, closing most of the country roads. Soon got warm after that again. Not much maple syrup was made this year, the shortest season my father can remember of, with only one good run before the trees started budding. We made only around 75 gallons, where usually it would have been around 250 gallons. People thatre-tapped after the snow got another run but it was sappy, or buddy.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Weather for March was quite mild, with occasional showers. The forepart with degrees up in the 70s, so that leaves were started on plants and trees. But turned colder around the middle of the month, and brought us our heaviest snowfall of the season. Turning mild again a few days afterward, and continued to end of month with considerable rain. Lots of field work was done in March, mostly in the forepart, as the latter part was wetter. Wheat, pasture, and hay have made a nice growth. Hay is selling for less this spring than it sold for in the fall. Farm prices have also come down some since last summer.

Steuben County, Indiana, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

January was nice and sunny about every day. Temperatures mostly in the 40s and 50s through the day, not even freezing in the morning. Pussy willows were pushing. Don't know if any fruit trees were far enough to freeze or not. February was also nice first week, some rain, temperature dropped the 14th to below freezing, by the 17th it was 22 below, coldest all winter. Rest of February was cold. March 1st people started to tap maple trees. First week was a fair run, till the 10th, when it warmed up enough to stop the sap. No freezing mornings, and temperature in the 50s till Friday evening the 16th, when it started to snow and blow. We were snowed in till Monday evening. Some drifts were six feet high and had a hard crust. Snow plows could not push it. Farmers with backhoes were hired to help get through the drifts to open the roads. Was a fair maple syrup run again the last week. Holes had to be redrilled. The syrup has a good price and is scarce. Only a few rainy days, rained the 25th. Tulips and spring flowers are through. Plowing could be done middle of month, the warm week before the snow storm.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

March started in like a lamb, 16th started to rain in p.m., turned to snow that evening, 17th snowed all day and was windy, had 6 to 8 inches snow, and high winds. Couldn't have any church services in our district on Sunday because of the drifts. Roads were closed till Monday, then the sun came out and shined so nicely each day that by Saturday some plowing was done. Rain again the 25th, next couple days sunny and springlike weather again. Still some corn to be husked around Middlebury.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Smucker

March came in like a lamb and went out dreary and raining. Had quite a lot of rain this month, and also a blizzard, with a snowfall of 8 inches on weekend of the 17th. Some people started out for church but had to go back as they couldn't get through, also, no school Monday. No oats sowed yet.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

March was warm and wet, came in like a lamb and out like a lion. No new records were set, unless a record for consecutive days without frost might have been set. During the first 16 days, the lowest was 34 degrees temperature, which caused vegetation to sprout, and, undoubtedly, set a record for this early in the year. Then the March Lion came on the scene and dumped 9 inches of snow on the ground, and sent temperatures tumbling into the 20s for 8 days. During the month 16 days were rainy, which tied the all time record for the past 61 years. Figures are as follows: High for the month, 72 on the 6th; low, 23 on the 23rd; mean, 46.3; rainfall, 6.01 inches; snowfall, 9.0 inches; 7 clear days; 11 partly cloudy; 13 cloudy; 16 rainy days; and 2 thunderstorms.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

March came in traditionally, as a lamb, sunshiny and pleasantly springlike, temperatures in 50s at times. Not much sugar water. Some men finished husking corn while others are still shredding and husking. Soybeans are over \$6.00 a bushel. We had rain the 10th, and somewhat windy and colder. On March 15 we had some rain, turning to snow, by daylight, March 16, we saw the snow and its drifts. It kept on snowing and increasing all day, leaving roads impassable. On Sunday only a few people got to church. A funeral planned for Sunday was postponed until Tuesday, which was a nice day, snow went fast but some roads still not open. Weather since has been nice and springlike. We do not have much to report on the maple syrup turnout, as it was indeed short and poor. Wheat fields are greening up. Crucifers are blooming.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

March has mostly been mild and springlike. First few weeks temperature ranges from 40 to 70 degrees. A sudden change at mid-month brought us quite a snow blizzard, with 26 degrees a few mornings, but soon moderated. Since peach trees in southern Ind. were three weeks ahead of schedule, some had begun to blossom out, and a million dollar loss was predicted in the state if temperatures dropped to a certain low. We were hoping to be able to fill cans this summer as crop was very scarce, and high-priced last year. Rain was abundant, and very little, if any, plowing done. Hog prices are still high even though they've dropped a little.

Daviess County, Indiana, by Lester Marner

January, February, and March have been unusually warm, never below zero. We've had a lot of rain. Pastures are getting a large growth. Hogs peaked at \$40 local. Some people were mowing lawns in March. Had our first rhubarb the 21st.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for March varied quite a bit. First two weeks were nice and warm. Week of the 12th we had around 6 inches rain, and has been quite wet since. Also cooler the latter part of month, with frost a few times, which is unusual for here this time of year. Farmers are getting planters and sprayers ready, as planting usually starts anytime after the first of April. Seed corn is cheaper than last year. Soybeans have dropped off too.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener.

March came in lamb-like, some were plowing. On the 3rd, had some thunder and lightning and about 2 inches rain. On the 8th had more thunder and lightning and about another inch of rain. Temperatures during the day were in upper 50s and lower 60s. One day as high as 72. The eve of 16 turned colder and by morning temperature was 30, and the ground white with snow. Warmer again and no farming, with more rain. Total of about 7 inches rain in March.

Reno Co., Kansas (Partridge area) by Edward A. Mast

Continuous heavy rains all during March brought the creeks over their banks three times. March winds were high and plentiful, with warmer than average temperatures, and less than average sunshine. Crows are moving to points farther north. This is a crow migration area during the winter. Daily we can see hundreds and thousands searching for food. The summer leaves us very few.

Webster County, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

An unusually cool and wet March for this area. Only a few gardens planted. First of month was nice ploughing at times, but last part almost too wet to plough. Had about an inch of hail March 31. They had up to 4 inches at Stockton a few days earlier. Hog prices tumbled from a high of \$40 to \$30 in about one week's time, but have recovered to about \$34.00 again. Toppigs brought over \$1 a lb. 2 weeks ago.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

Weather is springlike, unusual for Wisconsin so early in March. Not much snow this winter. A short maple syrup season if it doesn't get colder soon, but we had a few good runs. We are plowing these nice days.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

The fore part of March we had sunny weather. The latter part we had some snow and quite a bit of rain. Some plowing has been done.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

March came in like a lamb, but brought many windy and rainy days the next two weeks. On the 17th the rain turned to snow at noon and by evening we had around a foot of snow. That night it got cold and windy, but cleared most of the roads again. Many lanes and paths were blocked with huge drifts. It was more of a snow storm than we had all winter. The snow all disappeared again and weather was very favorable for sap collectors the last week, with cold nights and nice warm days. Quite a bit of maple syrup has been cooked here in the neighborhood lately.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

## Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

March had only a few frosty mornings, but much damp, wet, and rainy weather. No field work done, as fields are too wet and soft. Normally we sow oats in March, so we are in for a late spring this year. A few martins were seen, so Spring is coming.

## Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

Weather continued wet through February and March. About 10 inches rain through March. No field work has been done yet this spring.

## Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

March was mild, had only about 10 mornings at freezing or below. Very poor sugaring weather. The last 10 days were favorable to work in the ground, so there was some plowing done and oats sown.

## Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather was rather mild, since New Year, with the exception of several short cold spells, with plenty of moisture and mud. Had been dried off fairly good, till Sunday morning, the 25th, when it rained again, measuring 1 inch over the weekend. Lawns are greening up fast.

## Milton, Iowa, by Fred J. Yoder

March was rainy, with lots of cloudy days. From the 18th to 23rd we had very nice weather. Some plowing was started. Temperature was in the 50s. The last day of March brought a lot of rain and wind. We had 13 days of rain in March.

## MARRIAGES

## Dover, Delaware

Yoder, Coblentz – Andy, son of Levi E. and Anna (Byler) Yoder, and Ada, daughter of Atlee J. and Lucy Ann (Miller) Coblentz, March 22.

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

King, Fisher – Widower David B. King, Paradise R1, son of Isaac S. and the late Rachel King, and Widow Elsie S. Fisher, Christiana R1, daughter of Mary King and the late Samuel F. Stoltzfus, March 8, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus.

Ebersol, Beiler – Widower David F. Ebersol, Gordonville R1, son of Amos and Lydia Ebersol, and Widow Rebecca S. Beiler, Gap R1, daughter of Barbara Flaud and the late Amos F. King, March 13, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Fisher, Yoder – Levi, son of Bennie A. and Annie (Kinsinger) Fisher, and Effie, daughter of Peter A. and Dora (Yoder) Yoder, March 25, by the bride's uncle, Bishop Bennie A. Yoder.

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Byler – Ervin, son of Joe J. Bylers, of Beyer, Pa., and Laura, daughter of Rube D. Bylers, of Dayton, Pa., March 22.

## Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Hershberger – Harvey, son of Menno E. and Hannah (Hostetler) Miller, and Edna, daughter of Menno J. and Polly (Miller) Hershberger, March 13.

Miller, Miller – Atlee, son of Yost H. and Sarah (Shetler) Miller, and Drucilla, daughter of Abner P. and Emma (Gingerich) Miller, March 15.

Miller, Raber – Roy, son of Abner P. and Emma (Gingerich) Miller, and Fannie, daughter of Noah C. and Mary Raber, March 29.

## Geauga County, Ohio

Hostetler, Miller – William W. Hostetler, and Cathrine, daughter of Pre. Harvey A. Miller, March 29.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Schrock – Allen, son of Noah E. and Clara (Schlabach) Miller, and Calista, daughter of Mahlon J. and Erma (Troyer) Schrock, January 11, by Jonas N. Borntrager.

Schlabach, Miller – Junior, son of John A. and Mary (Hershberger) Schlabach, and Katie, daughter of Melvin J. and Mattie (Mast) Miller, March 1.

Stutzman, Raber – Vernon, son of Minister and Mrs. Enos Stutzman, of Kenton, Ohio, and Susie, daughter of Albert V. and Verna (Mast) Raber, March 13.

Raber, Wengerd – Emanuel, son of John F. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Raber, and Iva, daughter of Mose C. and Nora (Miller) Wengerd, March 15.

Stutzman, Yoder – Emery Jr., son of Emery H. and Fannie (Weaver) Stutzman, of Milroy, Ind., and Mary, daughter of Emanuel J. and Gertie (Beachy) Yoder, March 15, by Jonas N. Borntrager.

Hershberger, Yoder – Levi, son of Alvin A. F. and Katieann (Yoder) Hershberger, and Erma, daughter of John L. and the late Mattie (Troyer) Yoder, March 22.

Coblentz, Weaver – Atlee, son of Robert J. and Fannie (Miller) Coblentz, and Fannie, daughter of Isaac A. and Katie Ann (Miller) Weaver, March 22.

Yoder, Miller – Abe Jr., son of Abe J. and Dena (Miller) Yoder, and Anna, daughter of Eli A. and Barbara (Troyer) Miller, March 22, by Bishop Joe Hershberger.

Yoder, Raber – Jacob, son of Jonas J. and Sarah (Wengerd) Yoder, and Mattie, daughter of Valentine N. and Lizzie (Erb) Raber, March 29.

## Ashland County, Ohio

Borntrager, Miller – Dannie, son of Aaron Borntrager, of Kenton, Ohio, and Barbara, daughter of Bishop Dan Millers, March 1, by Dan Miller.

## Adams County, Indiana

Wickey, Hilty – John L., son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi R. Wickey, Berne R1, and Anna M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Hilty, Monroe R1, March 18.

## Steuben County, Indiana

Miller, Eicher – John C., son of Pre. Christ Miller of Ashland, Ohio, and Fannie Marie, daughter of Noah and Katie (Beiler) Eicher, February 22, by Bishop Albert J. Keim of Ashland, Ohio.

## New Haven, Indiana

Gerig, Miller — Joseph, son of Amos and Viola (Graber) Gerig, and Rosa, daughter of David and Leah (Graber) Miller, March 15, by Bishop Sam Graber.

## Kokomo, Indiana

Yoder, Gingerich — Ezra, son of Andy E. and Clara (Herschberger) Yoder, and Ella, daughter of John Gingerichs Jr., of Garnett, Kansas, March 15, by Bishop Jerry J. Yoder, of Garnett, Kansas.

## Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Wagler — Abraham, son of Nick and Katie Graber, and Rebecca, daughter of Bishop Ben E. Wagler, January 11, by Bishop Joe L. Graber.

Wagler, Kemp — Ira, son of Louis and Anna Barbara Wagler, and Wilma, daughter of Pete and Mary Kemp, March 1, by Bishop Ben E. Wagler.

Wagler, Miller — Paul, son of Joe and Magdalena Wagler, and Mary, daughter of Fred and Katie Miller, March 1, by Bishop Levi Graber.

## Arthur, Illinois

Herschberger, Otto — Raymond, Son of Levi and Edna (Schrock) Herschberger, and Dorothy, daughter of Dea. John and Barbara (Beachy) Otto, March 8.

Herschberger, Miller — Menno, son of Joas and Barbara (Schrock) Herschberger, and Barbara, dau. of Henry and Ada (Miller) Miller, March 27.

## Pike County, Missouri

Miller, Bontrager — Levi C., son of Christ Miller, of Anabel, Mo., and Lydia, daughter of Sam A. and Anna Bontrager, March 1, by Benedict Petersheim of Clark, Missouri.

## BAPTISMS

## Crawford County, Pennsylvania

## Conneautville District

March 18, by Dan Gingerich

David, son of Isaak and Anna Fehr  
Wayne, son of John and Anna Raber  
Eva, dau. of Isaak and Anna Fehr

## Holmes County, Ohio

Betty, dau. of Wyman Schlabach  
Irene, dau. of Eli A.E. Miller  
Martha, dau. of Ervin Gingerich  
Barbara Ann, dau. of Noah Troyer  
Ruby, dau. of Mrs. Anna Mae Gingerich

## Elkhart County, Indiana

North Clinton District, March 4

John, son of David and Emma (Schlabach) Kauffman  
Edna Arlene, dau. of Joe A. and Ida (Miller) Bontrager

West Forks District, March 4

Jerry Wayne, son of Roman and Fannie (Mast) Yoder  
Mervin, son of Monroe and Clara (Helmuth) Yoder  
Loretta Fern, dau. of Freeman and Susan (Bontrager) Lambright

Anna Marie, dau. of Monroe and Katie (Yoder) Yoder

## Jamesport, Missouri

March 18

Wilbur, son of John H. and Ada (Miller) Yoder  
David Wayne, son of Eli and Verna (Beachy) Schrock

## LaGrange County, Indiana

## East Yoder District

March 10, by David J. Bontrager

Clayton, son of Harley and Sadie Lambright  
Elsie, daughter of Menno and Fannie Lambright  
Ruby, daughter of Manas Jr. and Mary Bontrager  
Ada, daughter of Joni and Mary Weaver

## Northeast Barrens District

March 3, by Bishop Clemens Miller

Betty Sue, dau. of LeRoy and Nettie Hochstedler  
Ada Mae, dau. of the late Levi and Mrs. Susie Lehman  
Jesse Schlabach - Clinton District, Goshen

March 10

Olen, son of John Chupps

Clinton District - Enos Troyer

March 10, by Bishop Enos Troyer

John, son of David and Edith Kaufman  
Edna, dau. of Joe A. and Ida Bontrager

March 10

Levi, son of Bishop Amos U. and Fanny Miller

Ray, son of Noah Yoders of Oklahoma

Dewayne, son of Min. Menno and Alice Yoder

Mary Kathryn, dau. of Ezra and Sue Yoder

Ida Ellen, dau. of Dan B. and Wilma Bontrager

Edna, dau. of Ezra and Sue Yoder

Wilma, dau. of Joni and Susie Miller

Daniel Bontrager - Clearspring District

Irene, dau. of Daniel and Wilma Lambright

Louise Barkman, dau. of Mrs. Sam Bontrager and the late Pete Barkman

## Daviess County, Indiana

## Northeast District

March 18, by Bishop Joe L. Graber

William, son of Amos Stolls

Rachel, dau. of Nick Grabers

Magdalena, dau. of Henry Grabers

## Arthur, Illinois

March 11, in John Herschberger District  
at Ben A. Millers

Arlene, dau. of Dea. Roman and Katie Bontrager

Edna Mae, dau. of Fred and Esther Schrock

March 18, in Steve Kaufman District  
at the home of Jeff Miller

Leah, dau. of Abe and Sarah Gingerich

Carol, dau. of Andy and Anna Miller

Florence, dau. of Steve and Carrie Miller

Katherine, dau. of Eli and Fannie Gingerich

## 5-YEAR-OLD INJURED IN SILAGE CUTTER

Victor, age 5, son of Daniel K. and Barbara (Delagrang) Schwartz, of Camden, Michigan, had the misfortune of getting his arm caught in a silage cutter, March 24. They took him to Montpelier, Ohio hospital and were told to take him either to Toledo, O. or Parkman Hospital at Ft. Wayne, so they came to Ft. Wayne which was closer. No bones were broken but had to have surgery as flesh, muscles and ligaments were chopped and cut. Is getting along OK at last reports.



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Liebe Rüdiger Kinder,

Ich bin ein Glück im neuen Jahr.  
Es ist mir sehr angenehm worden daß wir  
Rüdiger deine Briefe lesen. Darum  
schreibe ich dir einen Brief zu dir.

Ein Rüdiger hat mir ein schönes  
Liedchen Brief geschrieben. Es ist mir  
ein Freude für mich daß ein Kind  
kann Liedchen lesen und schreiben.  
Wenn du es nicht kannst in einer  
Zeitung, wird es dir sehr sein  
nicht leben kann.

Es ist ein Rüdiger sehr sehr  
mein Vater daß er gibt mir ein  
Raum für ein kleines Liedchen daß  
es kann zu schreiben. Ich habe schon  
viel mehr mehr davon empfangen  
als ich es zu verstehen kann. Es ist  
viel mehr wenn mir ein Alter  
ist Briefe lesen können. Ein  
moll und viel schön, nützliche  
sagen sagen.

Rüdiger hat  
Christen J. Hoff

# Unsere Geistliche Bücher

3. Mel. Du unbegreiflich höchstes gut. (12)

Ach wann ich ja gedent daran, Wie viele sind ich hab gethan, Wie oft ich meinen Gott betrübt, Und er mich doch so herzlich liebt.

2. Weil er von meiner kindheit an, Mir so viel gutes hat gethan; So wird mein herz oft trauerns voll, Weil ich so unbefehrt und toll.

3. Hab meine beste zeit verschwendt, In eignem willen ganz verblendt, Und Gottes wort so leicht geacht, Und nicht mein pfund in wechsel bracht.

4. Ja in meinen jungen jahren Zeigtest du mir die gefahren, Und riefest mir so väterlich, Daß ich doch sollt befehren mich.

5. Dein heilig wort sollt nehmen auf, Und es bezeugen mit der tauf; Ach deine gnad hat endlich doch zerbrochen dieses treibers joch.

6. Damit der eigne wille brach, Daß ich zuletzt das ja wort sprach; Ach Jesu, nim mein herz und hand, Und binde selbst das liebesband.

7. Nun hab ich ja genommen auf, Nach dein'm befehl, die wassertauf; Schenk du doch mir des geistes kraft, Daß ja der bund sey recht gemacht.

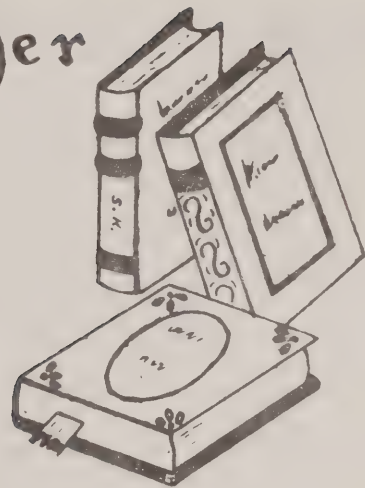
8. Hilf, daß ich ja dein sanftes joch Als treues kind mög tragen doch; Hilf, daß ich mich verleugne frey, Daß mich nicht blind die heuchelei.

9. Daß ja die falsche weltlich ehr Dein armes kind doch nicht bethör, Damit ich wahre demuth üb, Und täglich wachst in deiner lieb.

10. Ach Jesu! nimm dich meiner an, Und führe mich die rechte bahn, Damit ich in der wachst getren, Und im gebät beständig sey.

11. Daß ich ein glied an deinem leib In wahrheit sey und ewig bleib, Und mich dein geist nimm an der hand, Und führe in das vaterland.

12. Wo deine kinder ohne zahl Genießen mit das abendmahls, In lauter freud und herrlichkeit, Von ewigkeit zu ewigkeit.



or that life in a spiritual sense has not yet been renewed. If there is such a thing as a slothful time to members of a church body this is it. We think this splendid hymn describes this state of man perfectly.

We have read this hymn over and over again, as well as having heard it being read by others. We know the hymn well, its contents are different, and it expounds significance. It is not a song of praise, nor is it a song of lament, but it is a masterpiece of intelligence, carefully fitted words in twelve verses, each verse adding to the merits of the one before, so respectfully that when we read the last one it is a true lesson or sermon that everyone should consider at this time. Needless to say, it comes from a degenerate mind, humble, meek, and lowly, but by the grace of God he has risen to higher ground, with assurance and satisfaction of being born again, and has hopes of a true Resurrection.

After reading the biography of Christian Herr it is much more clearly understood. He was born in 1780. In 1800 he was united in marriage to a daughter of Christian and Barbara Forrer. About the year of 1816 he became seriously impressed with the sinfulness of man and the necessity of a redeemer's grace. Around this time he withdrew from the world to enlist himself as an humble follower of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is reasonable to assume that during this period or shortly afterward he wrote this hymn. The reader will note that in the third verse he writes: "Hab meine zeit verschwend. . ." and in the fourth verse, "Ja in meinen jungen jahren. . ." This is very understandable that accepting the faith and instructions of his parents and the church at the age of thirty six he had much to be grateful for to have the privilege to be taken into the church and from the heart he could write these touching phrases of experience. Around 1823 he was chosen deacon to his church and later he was entrusted to the high office. In these periods he may have written the other hymns which pertain more to subjects of the church rather than an individual. Watch for more of his hymns to follow.

Joseph F. Beiler

## Another Hymn by Bishop Christian Herr

Our readers will remember the article of two hymns by Christian Herr and abstracts of his biographical sketch booklet by John Funk, on page 216 in the 1972 issue of THE DIARY. According to this booklet, Christian has contributed to us twenty five hymns in all, of which five have been printed in our Unpartheyisches Gesang Bush. This month we have selected this hymn for more than one reason. The writer has of late purchased this booklet which I personally think should be reprinted and made available to all of our German hymn lovers. Rarely do we have access to literature of this nature to revive the old time hymn singing spirit in a deep and meaningful yet simple way. How different from the jest and jump of so-called hymns in practice today.

The season of the year has also focused our minds to this hymn. The cold dormant winter months are now ending. An observer of nature will notice that some flowers are budding and some already blooming, some grasses are gaining color, the birds are back, and singing, to remind us that spring of life is again to come. But Easter time (Resurrection) is not yet here, we have not had Communion, so, in a way, we are now in a valley between death and life,



# The Hour Glass

## HISTORY OF THE PULASKI, IOWA CHURCH and

### A Lancaster Co. Boy Who Died There in 1877

One hundred years ago many new settlements of Amish and Mennonites were started in the western states. The advice of many government and church officials was, "Go west, young man, and get cheap government land."

A young man in Lancaster County had the western fever and left home in the early seventies. He was Moses, son of Pre. Jacob Stoltzfus, residing a few miles west of Intercourse, Pennsylvania.

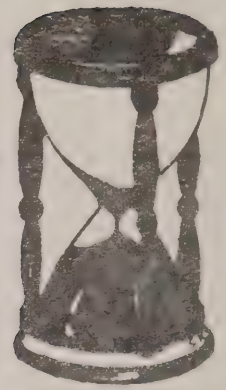
His two uncles on the Stoltzfus side had also left Lancaster County. The one, Deacon Christian, was one of the founders of the Buffalo Valley, Union Co., Pa. Amish Church, and the other, Deacon John Stoltzfus family and son-in-law bought land at Concord, Tennessee, in 1871, and was known as Tennessee John.

The first place we know of Moses residing was in Butler County, Ohio. This was a place where many of the immigrants from Switzerland and the Palatinate stayed until they found a suitable place to move later on, as many had relatives living there.

The first Amish family to buy land in Davis Co., Iowa was the Peter Miller family from Canada, in 1854. The same year the Jephtha J. Plank family from Lee County, Iowa bought land in the vicinity of the present town of Pulaski, and built the first saw mill and flour mill. In 1856 the town was surveyed and laid out.

This Jephtha Plank was a descendant of Melchior or Michael Plank. The Blank Family History says he was a brother to Bishop Peter Blank who was a bishop in the Conestoga District, Morgantown, Pa. The family in Lancaster County spelled their name, Blank; those that went west spelled theirs, Plank. The Jephtha Plank family had also been living in Ohio before coming to Iowa.

Also one of the early settlers in Davis County was the widow, Magdalena Augsburg, with her three daughters, who also came from Butler County, Ohio. It is said she bought 60 acres of land fenced at \$6 per acre, and also entered a claim for 160 acres of government land at \$2.50. Others who bought land were the Kings, Waglers, Fordenwalts, and Kinsingers from Lee County, Iowa; the Conrads, Baughmans, Krops, and Swartzentruffers from Wayne County, Ohio; and the Bloughs from Indiana. About 50 families had bought land in 1860, and had no resident minister at that time, so they asked Bishop Jacob Swartzentruffer from Johnson County, Iowa, to come and organize a church, and preach for them. However, the regulations in regard to dress and the beard did not suit them, and later, a Pre. Smucker and Troyer from Indiana organized a church with a membership of 32, and two ministers were ordained, Christian Kropf and Christian



Sharp. A few years later Pre. Kropf withdrew with about half of the members and organized the Christian Apostolic Church. Also, Pre. Sharp withdrew for other reasons, and Christian Brenneman served as minister from 1865 to 1869.

In 1867 fourteen Amish families came to Butler County, Ohio from Switzerland, led by Minister Philip Roulet, and two years later moved to Pulaski, Iowa. The church grew under his leadership. He always preached in the German language, was their leader for 28 years, and was loved by all. The writer read many of his articles which he wrote in the "Herold der Wahrheit" in the early seventies, and got the impression that he was a great character and a man of God. However, many of the Amish practices were gradually dropped, the devotional covering, feet washing, etc. For many years the church took an independent course, but in 1892 they joined the General Conference Mennonite Church. Sunday School and missionary programs were organized.

Moses Stoltzfus probably came to Iowa in the latter part of 1875. With him were some of the Swartzentruffer family, including the two sisters of Christian Swartzentruffer. He bought some land that now belongs to Harold Baughman, who lives along Route 2, that runs from Ft. Madison to Bloomfield. This Christian Swartzentruffer was one of the early settlers, and was married to one of Widow Magdalena Augsburg's daughters, mentioned in this writing. Christian's daughter, Melinda, was married to Joseph Baughman, and lived in this community her entire life. She told the writer that this Moses was a very good-looking young man, and remembered him well when he visited his parents, and was engaged to be married to pleasant Ann Plank, a daughter of Jephtha J. Plank, who founded the town of Pulaski. The date of the wedding had been planned and set. However, Moses had been afflicted with carbuncles and finally had become very serious, with one on his neck. He sent word to his relatives in Lancaster County, Pa., that he would like to see them, and his brother, Jacob Stoltzfus, and brother-in-law, Daniel Esh, started for Iowa, and arrived at Pulaski a few hours after he died in January, 1877. It is said that he told those at his bedside that his relatives are coming and are not far away.

He had been a rather wayward youth in his time, but, Mrs. Malinda Baughman told the writer, the church tried to take care of his spiritual need, and he was baptized by Minister Philip Roulet on his sickbed. He died in a house on land that is now owned by Harold Baughman of Bloomfield, Iowa.

His brother, Jacob, and brother-in-law, Daniel Esh, were at Christian Swartzentrubers' the first night after arriving in Iowa, and were rather hard to wake up the next morning, being tired from the long train ride, so they sent one of the small boys to knock at the door. As they were using Pennsylvania Dutch, he simply said to the Pennsylvania folks, "It is time to stand up," to the amusement of all.

He is buried in the Pulaski Cemetery, just a short distance north of the town. He was born in 1848, and died in 1877, age 29 yrs. and 24 days. Sometime afterwards, his bride-to-be planted a small pine tree on his grave as a remembrance, and is today a very large tree.

Pleasant Ann later married a man by the name of Blough. She is buried in the West Pulaski Cemetery. She was born February 28, 1850, and died May 5, 1931, aged 81 years.

Minister Philip Roulet is also buried in the West Pulaski Cemetery. He died July 14, 1904, age 76 years. His wife, who was much younger, died Nov. 28, 1938, aged 89 years.

Many of the old Amish settlers are buried in the Union Cemetery, which is south of the old Swartzentruber farm.

Much of this earlier information was given to me by Melinda Gaughman, who was born May 2, 1869, and died March 12, 1969, only a few months short of 100 years.

In 1969 the Old Order Amish again bought land in Davis and Van Buren Counties, over one hundred years later than the first settlement, coming mostly from Jamesport, Missouri, Buchanan, Iowa, and Arthur, Illinois. Most of them bought farms in the vicinity of Milton, which is in Van Buren County. Milton is only a few miles from the Missouri line, nearly 100 miles south of the Kalona area, and 50 miles west of Ft. Madison, on Iowa Route 2. The familiar names of Amish folks who bought homes here are Miller, Mullet, Mast, Beachy, Yutzi, Hershberger, Kauffman, Yoder, Stutzman, and Bontrager. The ministers at this time are Bishop Christian Kauffman, Will W. Miller, David J. Stutzman, and Menno J. Hostetler.  
by Elam B. Stoltzfoos

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

by Amos L. Fisher

#### THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

Continued from last month

Next on the list of children of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker, is Cathrine Schmucker, born 1778 in Berks Co., Pa., married to Jacob Schwartzentruber, born in 1771, the son of Christian and Magdalena (Shoenbeck) Schwartzentruber. It appears that Jacob and Cathrine Schwartzentruber lived in Berks

County till sometime after 1800 when they moved to Strasburg Twp. in Lancaster County. We find Jacob Schwartzentruber's name on the purchasing list of the burial ground known as the Gordonville Cemetery, in 1812, from Jacob Weaver. Jacob and Cathrine Schwartzentruber had at least six known children, probably all born in Lancaster County. In 1821 they sold their farm of over one hundred acres, located somewhere north of Strasburg, to George Lefever. If this is when they moved to Ontario, Canada, is not known for sure, but it appears to have been between 1821 and 1831. (So this accounts for another family that moved out of Lancaster County in the early part of the nineteenth century.)

The six children born to them were: (1) Veronica Schwartzentruber, born 1805, married to John Erb, they had six children born in Canada; (2) Cathrine Schwartzentruber, married to Joseph Jacobs, nothing is known to the writer about this family; (3) Jacob Schwartzentruber Jr., married to Catharine Roth, to them were born eleven children, namely, John married Ann Sommers, Magdalena married Peter Roth, Catherine married Daniel Helmuth, Jacob, Mary married Joseph Wagler, Christian married Annie Baechler, Joel married Veronica Erb, second Catharine Yantzi, Menno married Leah Shrag, second Mary Brunk, Nicholas, Veronica married Menno Leis, Daniel married Magdalena Brennehan; (4) John Schwartzentruber, born 1816, died 1901, married first to Barbara Birkey, second to Katie Erb, they had five children in Canada; (5) Barbara Schwartzentruber, married to John Schmidt (see note below); (6) Christian Schwartzentruber, married to Magdalena Schultz, she married second to Henry Schumn.

Note: The name John Schmidt appears among the "New Names Among the Amish," in the November 1972 issue of FAMILY LIFE. It appears he may have been of the Lutheran Faith, but joined the Amish, and married to Barbara Schwartzentruber March 27, 1831 in Lancaster Co., Pa. Soon after their marriage they moved to Ontario, Canada, near a village called Schmidtsville, now called Wellesly. It could be possible that they moved to Canada the same time as did their parents, the Jacob Schwartzentruber family. John Schmidt was one of the first Amish settlers of Waterloo County. Here, along the Nith River, he operated a saw mill and grist mill.

John and Barbara Schmidt had eleven children, to mention three are: (1) Jacob Schmidt, married to Kathrine Schwartzentruber; (2) Christian Schmidt, married to Cathrine Wagler; (3) Barbara Schmidt, married to Nicholas Lichti. Christian, mentioned above, was born August 14, 1847, in Waterloo County, married Cathrine Wagler March 8, 1870, born November 25, 1847, in Germany. They had four sons and four daughters. To mention one, was Moses Schmidt, married to Sarah Streicher, whose son, Emanuel Schmidt, is a minister in Adams County, Indiana at present.

To be Continued



### Conclusion on: "Regina, the Indian Captive"

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Upon our calling for help, Col. Mercer immediately sent out a boat to bring us to the Fort. At first, however, the crew created many difficulties about taking us on board. They thought we were Indians, and wanted us to spend the night where we were, saying they would fetch us in the morning. When we had succeeded in convincing them that we were English prisoners, who had escaped from the Indians, and that we were wet and cold and hungry, they brought us over. There was an Indian with the soldiers in the boat. He asked us whether we could speak good Indian? Marie LeRoy said she could speak it. Thereupon he inquired, why she had run away? She replied that her Indian mother had been so cross and had scolded her so constantly, that she could not stay with her any longer. This answer did not please him; nevertheless, doing as courtiers do, he said: He was very glad we had safely reached the Fort.

It was in the night from the last of March to the first of April that we came to Pittsburgh. Most heartily did we thank God in heaven for all the mercy which he showed us, for His gracious support in our weary captivity, for the courage which he gave us to undertake our flight, and to surmount all the many hardships it brought us, for letting us find the road which we did not know, and of which He alone could know that on it we would meet neither danger nor enemy, and for finally bringing us to Pittsburgh to our countrymen in safety.

Colonel Mercer helped and aided us in every way which lay in his power. Whatever was on hand and calculated to refresh us was offered in the most friendly manner. The Colonel ordered for each of us a new chemise, a petticoat, a pair of stockings, garters, and a knife. After having spent a day at Pittsburgh, we went with a detachment under command of Lieutenant Mile, (Lieutenant Samuel Miles.) to Fort Ligonier.<sup>10</sup> There the Lieutenant presented each of us with a blanket. On the fifteenth we left Fort Ligonier, under protection of Captain Weiser<sup>11</sup> and Lieutenant Atly,<sup>12</sup> (Lieutenant Samuel J. Atlee.) for Fort Bedford, where we arrived in the evening of the sixteenth, and remained a week. Thence, provided with passports by Lieutenant Geiger, we traveled in wagons to Harris' Ferry<sup>13</sup> and from there, afoot, by way of Lancaster, to Philadelphia. Owen Gibson remained at Fort Bedford, and David Breckenreach<sup>14</sup> at Lancaster. We two girls arrived in Philadelphia on Sunday, the sixth of May.

And now we come to the chief reason why we have given the foregoing narrative to the public. It is not done in order to render our own suffering and humble history famous, but rather in order to serve the inhabitants of this country, in making them acquainted with the names and circumstances of those prisoners whom we met, at the various places where we were, in the course of our captivity. Their parents, brothers, sisters, and other relations will, no doubt, be glad to hear that their nearest kith and

kin are still in the land of the living and that they may, hence entertain some hope of seeing them again in their own homes, of God permit.

MARIA BASKET is at Kaschkaschkung. She was taken prisoner on the Susquehanna, where her husband was killed. She has two sons. The younger is with his mother; the elder is in a distant Indian town.

Mary Basket's sister,—her name is NANCY BASKET,—is at Suckum.

MARY, CAROLINE, AND CATHARINE HAETH, (From Northampton county, Reichel.) three sisters from the Blue Mountains.

ANNE GRAY, who was captured at Fort Gransville, (Fort Granville, one mile west of Lewistown on the Juniata.) is at Kaschkaschkung. We saw her daughter, but she has been taken farther west by the Indians.

JOHN WEISSMAN, a young unmarried Englishman about eighteen years of age, is now at Moschkingo. He is said to have been captured on the South Branch.

SARAH BOY, DAVID BOY, RHODA BOY, THOMAS BOY, AND JAMES BOY, five children. The youngest is about five or six years old; Sarah, the oldest is about fifteen or sixteen years of age. Three years ago they were captured in Virginia.

NANCY AND JOHANNA DOCHERTY, two sisters, aged about ten and six years, captured at Conecocheague, and now in Kaschkaschkung.

EVE ISAACS, WILLIAM ISAACS, AND CATHARINE ISAACS. Eve is a widow, and has a child of about four years with her. Her husband was killed by the Indians. William is about fourteen or fifteen years of age, and Catharine about twelve. They are Germans. Eve and her child, together with Catharine, are in Kaschkaschkung; William in Moschkingo. They were captured on the South Branch.

HENRY SEIFART, ELIZABETH SEIFART, GEORGE SEIFART, CATHARINE SEIFART, AND MARIA SEIFART, brothers and sisters, Germans, captured about thirteen months ago, at Southport, in Virginia, are now at Kaschkaschkung and Moschkingo.

BETTY ROGERS, an unmarried woman, with five or six brothers and sisters, of whom the youngest is about four years old, captured, three and a half years ago, on the South Branch.

BETTY FRICK, a girl about twenty-two years old, captured, three years ago, in Virginia, now in Kaschkaschkung.

FANNY FLARDY, from Virginia, married to a Frenchman. Her daughter, seven or eight years old, is at Kaschkaschkung.

ANNA BRIELINGER, (Wife of Jacob Brielinger, whose improvement was on Penn's creek, two miles below New Berlin, in Union county.) wife of a German smith from Schomoko, now at Kaschkaschkung.

PETER LIXE'S TWO SONS, (Peter Lick, from Penn's creek, near New Berlin.) JOHN AND WILLIAM, German children from Schomoko, now in Kitahohing.

An old Englishman, or Irishman, whose surname we did not know, but whose Christian name is DAN, a cooper, captured on the Susquehanna, now in Kaschkaschkung. His wife and children are said to be in this country.

ELIZABETH, a young English woman, captured about a mile and a half from Justice Gulebret's (Gailbraith) place, on the Schwatara. Her child, which she took along, is dead. Her husband and other children are said to be living somewhere in this country. She is at Kaschkaschkung.

MARIE PECK, a German woman, captured two and a half years ago, in Maryland. Her husband and children are said to be living somewhere in this country.

MARGARET BROWN, a German single woman, captured on the South Branch, in Virginia, now in the country of the Oschaschi, a powerful nation, living, it is said, in a land where there is no timber.

### HISTORICAL NOTE

At the Albany Treaty, July 6, 1754, the Six Nations conveyed to Thomas and Richard Penn a purchase, the northern line of which was to start one mile above the mouth of Penn's creek, where Selinsgrove now stands, and run "north-west and by west as far as the Province of Pennsylvania extends." This line, protracted on the map, bisects Limestone township, Union county, and, if run on the ground, would probably pass through the very tract of land taken up by Jean Jacques le Roy (father of Marie), now owned by the heirs of Hon. Isaac Slenker, in that township. The Indians alleged afterwards (Weiser's Journal of the Conference at Aughwick, in September, 1754) that they did not understand the points of the compass, and if the line was run so as to include the West Branch of the Susquehanna they would never agree to it. Settlers nevertheless pushed their way up Penn's creek and the Proprietaries, with their understanding of the line, issued warrants for surveys along Penn's creek, in Buffalo Valley, and at least twenty-five families had settled on there as early as 1754. The Indians, emboldened by Braddock's defeat, July 9, 1755, determined to clear out these settlers, and did it so effectually, by the massacre related in the above narrative, that no settlers ventured upon the bloody ground until after the purchase of 1768. In 1770, when Jesse Lukens resurveyed the line of the le Roy tract he notes in his field-book that he passed le Roy's bake oven near the spring, on what is now the Slenker farm. For further notice of this massacre, see Colonial Records, vol. 6, page 647; also, Pennsylvania Archives, old series, vol. 3, page 633. The Editors are indebted to the courtesy of Bishop Edmund de Schweintz, of Bethlehem, for the above translation from German of the original narrative, in which the spelling of the Indian and other proper names, according to the original, is retained.

(Penna. Archives, series 2, vol. 7, Franklin and Marshall College, Fackenthal Library, Lancaster, Pa.)

### The Kluck (Glick) Family

In closing we have one more subject which may be of interest to many of our readers. From "The Indians of Berks Co., Pa." we can collect many incidents of Indian Massacres of Swiss-German immigrants in Berks County. One of these is outstanding to the writer today. On page 77 is a paragraph as follows:

"On the 24th of March 1756 the house of Peter Kluck, about fourteen miles from Reading, was set on fire by the savages, and the whole family killed!"

From other sources we gather that they had fourteen children. With this paragraph is a note that says that this information is obtained from a German paper published by Christopher Saur in Philadelphia, Pa. We must assume that such informants published in those days were not always accurate at their best. Who can tell for sure that the whole family was killed, even if the public was so minded, since none of them returned to the site. Nearly always the redman would fancy at least one member of the family—mostly children—to adopt them to their tribe.

There is an old tradition that a certain Amish family of the Big Valley, or Mifflin County, has adopted and raised a boy who was an Indian captive, but in some way freed himself from captivity. This boy was John Glick. He grew up with this family (name unknown to the writer), accepted the faith of his foster home, and married Magdalena . . . , an Amish girl. This John Glick family lived and died in the valley. Joseph E. Peachey of Belleville, Pa. writes, in a letter, that they are buried two miles north of us in a small cemetery on a hill, in a field where the Glicks lived, and a marker reads: John died 1850 Magdalena 1800.

Joseph E. Peachey quotes on a note, that he was told, that in the house where the Glicks lived was written on a door panel the date when the Indians killed the Kluck family, in Berks Co., Pa., but no one knows of it, and the old house burned down some years ago.

From a letter of Mrs. Jonas C. Beachy we read: "The information I have is that this John Glick's father was named Peter. They came from Switzerland on September 25, 1748. Then the Indians made such raids at that time, and it happened that all the others of this family were killed but John."

She lists the children of John and Magdalena Glick as follows: Barbara 1796 - 1830 m. William Heddins; Magdalena 1797 - m. Phillip Headings; Anna 1799 - 1886 m. John Lantz; John 1801 - 1869 m. Catherine Rothacher; Jacob 1803 - 1871 m. Catherine Kinkspein; Catherine 1805 - ; Samuel 1807 m. Barbara Lantz; David 1813 - m. Magdalena Lantz; Elizabeth 1818 m. William Mateer.

Our study here will not be considered as a final statement of genealogy, but surely it is a strong prospect. It is our hope that more informed readers of this family will bring to light further details of this Kluck family who has given abundant progeny to our church.

Joseph F. Beiler  
(Information of the Glicks from the files of Christian G. Esh.)

10. Fort Ligonier.

11. Captain Weiser, Samuel Weiser, tenth child of Conrad Weiser.

12. Lieutenant Atly, Samuel J. Atlee.

13. Harris Ferry, now Harrisburg.

14. David Breckenreach.



## HOW TIME WAS ORIGINATED BY MAN

### Days of Ancient Time

Morning — 6 a.m. till 10 a.m. — our time

Heat of the Day — 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. — our time

Cool of the Day — 2 p.m. till 6 p.m. — our time

### Nights of Ancient Time

First Watch — 6 p.m. till Midnight (Lam. 2:19)

Middle Watch — Midnight till 3 a.m. (Jud. 7:19)

Morning Watch — 3 a.m. till 6 a.m. (Ex. 14:24)

The civil day began at sunset and ended at sunset the next day.

The natural day was from sunrise to sunset. The natural night was from sunset to sunrise.

At the time of Nehemiah (9:3) we read of 4 parts of the day.

Man first measured time by sundial. He made a circle with numbers, and a stick in the center, so the shadow on the number told the time. In Isaiah 38:8 we can get a good picture of the sundial. Man could also tell time by his own shadow, as when the shadow is the lowest the sun is the highest. The shadow time was from approximately 2,000 to 1,000 B.C. The sundial and the water clock, 1,000 B.C. to 1,000 A.D. At night they observed the stars. The water clock was two vessels, one large vessel and another small vessel with a hole in the center. A person would sit beside the water clock and when the small vessel sank to the bottom it would be dumped out and set on top again for another time, and so on.

At the time of the crucifixion the days were divided into twelve hours. So the summer hours were longer than the winter hours. At the Spring of the year the first morning hour started at 6 o'clock a.m., our time. The 12th hour ended at 6 o'clock p.m., our time.

The nights were divided into four watches.

The 1st watch, 6 p.m. till 9 p.m., our time.

The 2nd watch, 9 p.m. till 12 a.m., our time.

The 3rd watch (or the cock crow), 12 a.m. till 3 a.m., our time.

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The 4th watch, 3 a.m. till 6 a.m., also called the morning watch.

As time went on they also used the hourglass and other methods, such as candles, oil lamps, and later, the sand glass.

From 1,000 A.D. to 1,000 A.D. bells were struck by machines, which shows that the striking part of a clock is older than the clock itself. Just the same as if we turned our clock's face toward the wall. The first clock was invented by Henry De Vick in 1364. We can read of the English Blacksmith Clock, little over 300 years old. The Grandfather clocks are a little over 250 years old, and are still running. The first clocks didn't have minute hands, until 1680, and the second hand was added around 1700. From then on our watches and clocks have made many improvements, on up to our present-day Grandmother Clock. The watches were wound like clocks until 1875. Wrist watches were not popular among men till around 1910.

Daylight Saving Time started in the European Countries the second year of World War I. The reason was to save fuel, lighting, and heating by getting the people to bed an hour earlier.

The United States started Daylight Saving Time in 1918, from the last Sunday in April till the last Sunday in September.

On February 9, 1942, at the time of World War II, the clocks were turned ahead one hour, and it was called War Time, and ended Sunday, September 30, 1945. In 1967 it came into effect in all states to extend Daylight Saving Time till the last Sunday in October. Some states had it a few years before that.

We may also wonder why our parents and grandparents had their clocks turned one half hour fast. In 1884 time zones were set up over the whole world, with 24 zones, and 15 degrees to each zone, starting at Greenwich, England. International Date Line was set in the mid Pacific Ocean with each new day starting there. Before November 18, 1883 cities and towns selected their own local time. This made confusion in travel and shipping, with railroads lacking uniform time standards. In Pittsburg six different time standards were used for trains.

The railroads got together and pushed for standardization, resulting in four U. S. Time Zones: Eastern, Central, Mountain, and Pacific. This was done, incidentally, without Federal Legislation. It was not law until 1918.

The change-over was set for noon, Central Standard Time, Sunday, November 18, 1883. An old codger referring to the railroad magnate, William H. Vanderbilt, was recorded declaring the time, and he was censored as the old Vanderbilt's time. The cry was, "We want God's time." The mayor of Bangor, Maine called the new time unconstitutional and said, "No one has the power to change one of the immutable laws of God." A preacher in Boston denounced Standard Time as a lie.

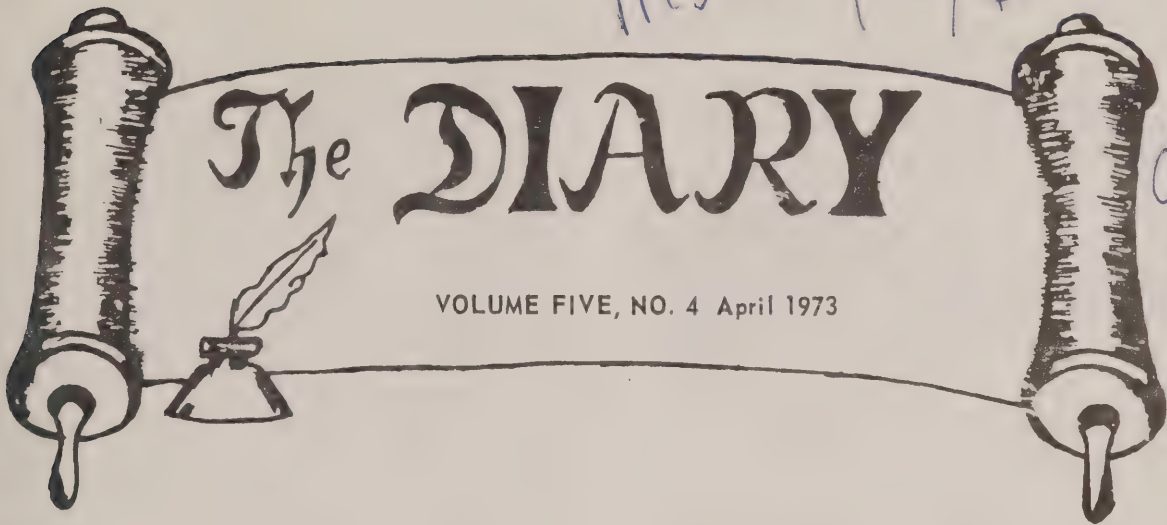
On Sunday, November 18, 1883 was a day of two noons by setting the clocks back 30 minutes to the new Standard Railroad Time. This is the answer to the one half hour fast in Grandpa's house.

Levi L. Stoltzfus

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#### GEAUGA COUNTY YOUTH KILLED IN CRASH

On April 21, Crist, 16, son of Dan C. and Sarah (Schmucker) Byler, and his cousin Robert J. Gingerich were riding in a road cart on State Rt. 608 one mile south of Middlefield when they were struck from behind by a car. Crist was thrown on the pavement and died almost instantly. (See obituary.) Robert was taken to the hospital with a cut in his head and his left leg and foot which required stitches. He was treated and released.

#### 10-YEAR-OLD HAD LEG OPERATION

Laura, 10-year-old daughter of Alvin G. and Polly (Coblentz) Brenneman, Ashland R5, Box 220, Ohio, had a second operation on her leg, May 1, for a birth defect of the bone below the knee. They made a cut in the leg, cut the bone nearly through, then put in a bone wedge they took elsewhere from the same leg, to help straighten the leg. They also put in several pins, which they will have to remove later. She will have to have one or two more operations later on. Her first operation was two years ago. If they'd just let it go she'd finally be so crippled that she couldn't walk at all anymore.

#### MISSISSIPPI RIVER FLOOD

The Mississippi River, about 25 miles east of Bowling Green, is the boundary line between Missouri and Illinois. The river has been high all spring and flooding low lands at times. On April 19th and 20th Northeast, Missouri had from 3 to 9 inches of rain, which caused the river to rise higher than it has been for over 200 years (they say), breaking dikes and flooding thousands of acres of bottom land along the river. The town of Louisiana has two railroads but both closed during the flood, also highway 79 along the river, and highway 54. The traffic was closed across the river. The river had gone down about two feet by Friday, April 27th, but the railroad depot was still surrounded by water.

#### INDIANA TOT DIED IN TRUCK-BUGGY CRASH

Steven Ray Hershberger, three-year-old son of Wilma Hershberger of R3, Middlebury, Indiana, was pronounced dead at the scene of a truck-buggy accident about 10:40 p.m. Thursday on U.S. 20 at C.R. 925-W. Injured were the tot's mother, Wilma R. Hershberger, 27, and the boy's uncle, Daniel Hershberger, 17, also of Middlebury. The three were riding in a buggy driven by the boy's uncle, westbound on U.S. 20, when the vehicle was struck headon by a pickup truck, which was eastbound and was attempting to pass another vehicle at the time of the accident. (See obituary.) Wilma and her brother were taken to LaGrange County Hospital, and then transferred to Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne. Both were reported in fair condition following surgery.

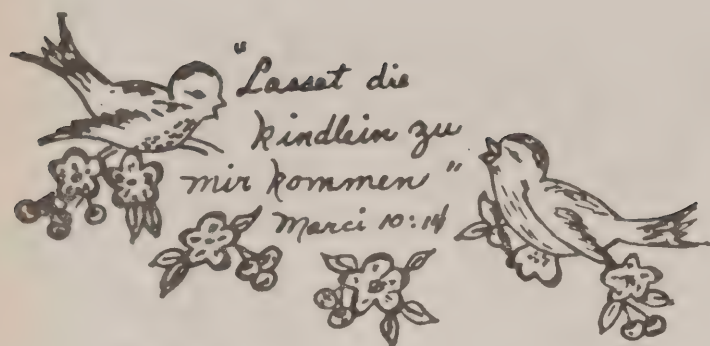
#### IND. WOMAN FOUND IN YARD

Mrs. Katie J. Miller, 73, Goshen R6, Indiana, who sustained only minor injuries in a March 2 auto accident in Tennessee that took the life of her husband, was found dead in the yard of her home about 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 24. She was found by her daughter, Mrs. Crist (Viola) Miller of Goshen. Time of death was set at about noon. Mrs. Miller was doing yard work when she was stricken by an apparent stroke or heart attack. (See obituary)

LaGrange Co., Ind. - Jay, two-year-old son of Wilbur and Lizzie (Miller) Lehman met a tragic death while playing alone and a gate in some way fell on him. Grandparents are Amos and Lizzie Ann (Hostetler) Lehman, and Ervin and Lizzie (Yoder) Miller. They have one other child.

Johnson County, Iowa Note - Marvin Miller, 20, who lost his arm in an accident on March 10 is home now, and getting along as good as can be expected. He still limps some, as his left leg was pulled out of the socket joint.





## BIRTHS

Dover, Delaware

MAST, Eli E. (Sara Mast)  
a daughter SUSIE, April 18

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, Samuel S. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville, a daughter LYDIA, April 25

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Ben S. (Mary F. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1  
a son AMOS, April 3

BEILER, Daniel E. (Rachel K. Esh) 78 S. Maple Ave. Leola, a son HENRY, April 14

BEILER, Daniel M. (Esther Smucker) Box 31, Bird-in-Hand, a son JACOB S., April 7

BEILER, Jonas M. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1  
a son JOHN S., April 27

BEILER, Melvin J. (Katie B. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter MIRIAM S., April 8

ESH, Amos K. (Lydia Lapp) Paradise R1  
a son HENRY, April 2

ESH, Christian P. (Rachel Glick) Ronks R1  
a son AARON G., April 22

ESH, Melvin K. (Naomi L. Miller) Smoketown R1  
a son AARON M., April 20

FISHER, Aaron S. (Rachel S. Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a son GIDEON S., April 9

FISHER, Benuel S. (Fannie F. Blank) Strasburg R1  
a son JACOB DEAN, April 24

FISHER, Elmer J. (Karie E. Glick) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter MARY G., April 7

FISHER, Gideon E. (Rebecca K. Esh) Ronks R1  
a son SAMUEL, April 19

FISHER, Roy S. (Sylvia Lapp) Quarryville R3  
a son SAMUEL, April 26

GLICK, Amos K. (Lizzie B. Fisher) Quarryville R3  
a daughter HANNAH, April 10

GLICK, David (Dora K. Glick) Gap R1  
a daughter, April 24

GLICK, John I. (Lydia Stoltzfus) New Holland R1  
a daughter MARY S., April 14

KAUFFMAN, Jacob B. (Mary Stoltzfus) Christiana R1  
a son AMOS S., April 7

KING, Alvin S. (Naomi S. Esh) Leola R1  
a son DANIEL E., April 19

KING, Christian Z. (Fannie B. Fisher) Ronks R1  
a daughter FANNIE F., April 21

KING, Jonathan B., (Rachel S. Riehl) Gap R1  
a son AQUILLA, April 27

LAPP, Benjamin S. (Mary K. Stoltzfus) Lititz R1  
a son SAMUEL, April 13

LAPP, Christ K. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter NAOMI S., April 2

LAPP, Daniel K. (Mary B. Lantz) Quarryville R1  
a son ABNER, April 6

LAPP, Jacob H. (Fannie Riehl) Gap R1  
a daughter ELIZABETH A., April 26

LAPP, John D. (Malinda S. Lapp) Ronks R1  
a son JOHN L., April 20

PETERSHEIM, Benuel (Rebecca Riehl) 817 Eshelman Mill Rd., Lancaster, a son MELVIN R., April 21

PETERSHEIM, Moses R. (Rachel Glick) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son CHRISTIAN F., April 2

SMUCKER, Christ K. (Anna Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
a son MAHLON WAYNE, April 22

STOLTZFOOS, Christ F. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a son HENRY S., April 21

STOLTZFUS, Abram B. (Katie L. Lapp) Oxford R1  
a son ROY L., April 27

STOLTZFUS, David F. (Fannie S. Zook) Christiana R1  
a son DAVID Z., April 18

STOLTZFUS, Ephraim (Barbara Lapp) Gap R1  
a daughter RACHEL ANN, April 9

STOLTZFUS, Moses S. (Barbara E. King) Paradise R1  
a son ELI K., April 19

STOLTZFUS, Samuel S. (Barbara S. Stoltzfus) Kirkwood R1, a son JOHN S., April 14

STOLTZFUS, Sol E. (Rebecca Fisher) Paradise R1  
a daughter LILLIAN, April 1

STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Edna Diener) Kinzers R1  
a daughter CHRISTIANA, April 15

YODER, Israel (Elizabeth K. Blank) 2444 Creek Hill Rd., Lancaster, a daughter LENA B., April 21

YODER LeRoy M. (Annie S. Lapp) Ronks R1  
a daughter LINDA KAY, April 30

YODER, Samuel K. (Sarah Beiler) 173 Maple Shade Rd. Christiana, a son STEVIE B., April 5

ZOOK, Amos S. (Mary Lapp) Strasburg R1  
a daughter MALINDA L., April 22

ZOOK, Daniel B. (Mary M. Fisher) Quarryville R3  
a daughter RACHEL F., April 29

ZOOK, Elmer S. (Lizzie Blank) Drumore R1  
a daughter LIZZIE, April 26

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## Bradford County, Pennsylvania

GIROD, Ernest (Fannie Schwartz) Stevensville  
a son DAVID, April 17

YODER, Henry D. (Lydia Mae Detweiler) LeRaysville  
R2, a daughter SARAH, April 12

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LANTZ, Amos G. (Katie Lapp) Lebanon R1  
a daughter SALOMA L., April 8

PEACHEY, Omar A. (Rebecca Lapp) Myerstown R3  
a son LEROY MELVIN, April 11

He was admitted to Hershey Medical Center on  
the 13th with complications of the lungs, came  
home on the 23rd.

## Centre County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, Samuel F. (Lydia Riehl)  
a daughter KATIE, April 27

BEILER, Christ S. (Sarah Stoltzfus)  
a daughter SALLY, April 30

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Isaac (Rachel Peachey)  
a son EZRA, March 22

PEACHEY, Moses D. (Malinda Wengerd)  
a son STEPHEN, March 7

PETERSHEIM, John T. (Mary Peachey)  
a son TOBIAS, April 23

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BENDER, Harvey G. (Ellen Yoder) Grantsville, Md.  
a son DAVID HENRY, April 8

YODER, John Y. (Sadie Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md.  
a son ABIE, April 3

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Andy B. A. and Martha  
a son, April 29

## Crawford County, Pennsylvania

MARNER, Leroy and Ruth, Spring Boro  
a daughter CHRISTIANA MARIE, April 6

## Conewango Valley, New York

BYLER, David A. (Lizzie Miller)  
a son ABE, April 5

## Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, Daniel N. (Barbara Ann Gingerich)  
a son NELSON, April 8

BYLER, Jake R. (Lydia Ann Miller)  
a daughter ELIZABETH, April 15

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin M.  
a daughter MARY ANN

MILLER, Ura A. (Betty A. Gingerich)  
a son DANIEL

MILLER, Josiah J. (Anna Mary N. Miller)  
a daughter LAURA, April 18

SCHMUCKER, Mr. and Mrs. Robert  
a daughter MARIE

WEAVER, Jake P. (Linda A. Byler)  
a daughter SARAH JANE, March 4

## Holmes County, Ohio

BEACHY, William E. (Lydia Ann Hershberger) Sugar  
Creek R1, a daughter KATIE, April 20

KUHNS, Eli (Ella Troyer)  
a son ANDY, April 5

MILLER, Ben L. (Sara Miller)  
a son DELBERT

MILLER, Wayne J. (Sara Yoder)  
twin sons, MARION and MARVIN

NISLEY, Pre. Mose A. (Ada Yoder)  
a son MONROE, April 20

RABER, Henry A. (Edna Miller)  
a son ROBERT, March 29

RABER, Junior A. (Esther Miller)  
a son PAUL

STUTZMAN, Eli L. (Mattie R. Miller) Millersburg  
Star Route, a daughter MARTHA, March 28

TROYER, Daniel H. (Millie Wagler) Sugarcreek R2  
a daughter SARAH ETTA, March 12

WENGERD, Min. Roy (Anna Troyer) Millersburg R1  
a son REUBIN, April 19

Was at the Akron Childrens Hospital, passed  
away April 30, services were held at 1 p.m. May 2.

Leaves Father, Mother, 4 sisters and 3 brothers.

YODER, Andrew A. (Nettie Kurtz) Fredericksburg R2  
a son MARK, April 8

YODER, Dan A. (Katie Yoder) Dundee R2  
a son VERNON, April 20

YODER, Bishop David E. (Anna Miller)  
twin sons, May 1

## Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Aden J. (Anna Miller) Box 106,  
Winesburg, a daughter MARTHA, April 9

YODER, David J. (Mattie Miller) Apple Creek R2  
a son ABE D., April 29

YODER, Simon R. (Mabel Hershberger) Fredericksburg  
R2, a daughter WILMA, April 12

YODER, Paul W. (Naomi Yoder)  
a son ROBERT, April 1

## Adams County, Indiana

HILTY, Andy J. (Martha L. Miller) Berne R1  
a son ANDY JR., April 29

HILTY, Jerome A. (Bertha L. Miller) Berne R1  
a son MARLAN, April 16

SCHWARTZ, Amos H. (Elizabeth H. Schwartz) Monroe  
R1, a daughter SUSAN, April 27

SCHWARTZ, Christie E. (Bertha Schwartz) Berne R2  
a daughter EDNA, April 9

SCHWARTZ, Leander M. (Emma Hilty) Monroe R1  
a son MELVIN, April 16

SCHWARTZ, Raymond M. (Josephine Schwartz) Berne R2  
a daughter KATIE, March 14

SHETLER, Felty (Sylvia Hilty) Monroe R1  
a son FELTY JR., April 4

SHETLER, Sam M. (Amanda N. Schwartz) Berne R1  
a son ALVIN, April 11

WICKEY, Sam Z. (Margaret U. Schwartz) Berne R1  
a daughter EMMA, April 26



## BIRTHS, Continued

## New Haven, Indiana

- BRANDENBERGER, Elmer (Sarah Schmidt) New Haven  
a son SAMUEL, April 8
- LENGACHER, Jacob (Anna Marie Graber) Grabill  
a daughter BARBARA, April 22
- SCHMUCKER, Pete (Annette Schwartz) Woodburn,  
a son MARTIN, April 26
- SCHWARTZ, Danny (Amanda Schmucker) New Haven,  
a daughter AMY, April 18
- WICKEY, Joseph (Marie Brandenberger) New Haven,  
a son MARCUS, April 8
- ZEHR, Jacob (Marian Lengacher) New Haven,  
a son DAVID, April 2

## LaGrange County, Indiana

- BONTRAGER, Ora J. (Susan Hostetler) LaGrange R4  
a daughter MARY KATHRYN, April 10
- EASH, Jacob (Fannie Graber) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter RUBY, April 2
- GRABER, Henry D. (Mary Kay Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a daughter KATIE, March 30
- HERSCHBERGER, Simon L. (Mary Ellen Miller) La-  
Grange R4, a daughter SUSAN KAY, April 22
- LAMBRIGHT, Chris (Anna Mae Bontrager) Shipshewana  
R1, a son CHRIS JUNIOR, April 9
- MAST, Glenn (Luella Miller) Topeka R1  
a daughter ERMA SUE, April 13
- MILLER, John E. (Viola Lambright) Topeka R2  
a daughter ESTHER ELLEN, April 22
- MILLER, Ora S. (Susie Yoder) Wolcottville R2  
a daughter WILMA S., April 13
- MILLER, Raymond L. (Edith Yoder) White Pigeon R2,  
Mich., a daughter EDITH MARIE, March 30
- SCHMUCKER, David J. (Martha Barkman) Howe R3  
a daughter SHERIE ANN, March 28
- TROYER, Glen O. (Vera Miller) Topeka R1  
a son DEVON G., April 9
- TROYER, John E. (Lydia Yoder) LaGrange R1  
a son MERVIN, April 18
- YODER, Harley J. (Katie Slabach)  
a daughter LINDA L., April 7
- YODER, Melvin J. (Leanna Byler) Shipshewana R1  
a son MARVIN, March 25

## Elkhart County, Indiana

- BONTRAGER, Orus U. (Vera Miller) Goshen R1  
a daughter ROSE ANN, April 9
- MAST, Ora W. (Barbara Ann Glick) Middlebury R1  
a son DELBERT DEVON, April 12
- MILLER, Crist Jay (Edna Bontrager) Goshen R1  
a son LOREN JAY, April 18
- MILLER, Jacob Jr. (Edna Miller) Goshen R1  
a daughter RUBY, March 22
- SCHMUCKER, Simon J. (Martha Yoder) Goshen R4  
a daughter MARIETTA, March 27

## Jamesport, Missouri

- MAST, Joe H. (Mary L. Bontrager)  
a daughter ARLENE, April 20
- YODER, John H. (Ada Miller)  
a son GLEN, April 12

## Guthrie, Kentucky

- BYLER, William (Ada Byler) Guthrie R2  
a daughter KATHY, April 2
- MILLER, Ezra Jr. (Esther Miller) Allensville R1  
A daughter KATIE, April 25
- MILLER, John Y. (Sarah Byler) Guthrie R2  
a son DAVID WILLIAM, April 14

## Arthur, Illinois

- CHUPP, Gloyd (Sovilla Stutzman)  
a daughter, April 24
- MAST, Levi (Fannie D. Yoder)  
a son ELDON, April 13
- MILLER, Levi (Bernice Yoder)  
a son STANLEY, April 2
- OTTO, William (Dorothy Gingerich)  
a son CLARENCE in April
- SCHROCK, Edwin J. (Viola Yoder)  
a son DAVID CHRISTIAN, April 22
- SCHROCK, Ivan (Paulene Mast)  
a daughter, April 27

## Buchanan County, Iowa

- GINGERICH, Olen (Mary Plank) Fairbank,  
a daughter KATIE, April 5
- HERSHBERGER, Neal M. (Clara Bontrager) Fairbank  
a son DAVID, March 30
- YUTZY, John G. (Katie Hershberger) Independence  
a son DAVID, March 16

## Johnson County, Iowa

- MILLER, Eldon (Nelda Bontrager)  
a son DENNIS,

## Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada

- HERSHBERGER, Levi L. (Sarah Miller) Wroxeter,  
a son JACOB L., March 28
- YODER, Ervin A. (Martha Yoder) Wingham,  
a son MARVIN E., April 3

## Millbank, Ontario, Canada

- JANTZI, Solomon (Peggy Zehr) Newton R1  
a son KENNETH, April 6
- KUEPFER, Clarence and Sarah, Milverton R1  
a son JACOB, April 15
- He died April 17.

## HOLMES COUNTY ACCIDENTS

David, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Schlabach, fell down a straw hole and broke his leg above the knee. Spent four weeks at the hospital in traction. Is at home now with a brace and cast on, and is in good spirits.

Emanuel, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy E. Raber, accidentally tore his arm off between the elbow and shoulder, at the Hipp Lumber Company at Millersburg, Ohio. He is at the Children's Hospital at Akron, in satisfactory condition.

Henry, 18, son of Pre. and Mrs. Eli A. Yoder, was sawing with a chain saw and the saw jumped and cut his forehead in to the bone and just merely scratched his eye lid. It required quite a few stitches. He is healing nicely.

## OBITUARIES

**BRANDENBERGER, Leah**, 84, New Haven, Ind.

died unexpectedly April 30, 3½ years later on the day her husband, Jacob, died. She was at Communion Church the day before she died. She was a daughter of the late Dea. Daniel and Catherine (Short) Graber. She was the youngest and the last of that family. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Enos (Anna Mae) Steury. Is survived by five sons, Enos, Elmer, and Martin of New Haven, Ind., and Daniel and Joseph of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and another daughter, Mrs. Reuben (Irene) Steury of Grabill, Ind. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery at Grabill, Indiana.

**BYLER, Crist**, 16, of Geauga County, Ohio

died in an accident April 21 (see front page). He was the son of Dan C. and Sarah (Schmucker) Byler. He leaves his parents, nine brothers and six sisters.

Funeral services were held at the home, in the house, and shed, and at Allen Bylers. Conducted by Pre. Jake Schmucker of Independence, Iowa, Bishop Allen Byler, Lester A. Yoder, Urie J. Miller, Andy R. Schmucker, and Freeman Kuhns. An estimated 600 attended the funeral.

**BYLER, John M.**, 71, of Geauga County, Ohio

died April 7. He had been in poor health for several years with emphysema, then developed pneumonia, and was taken to Geauga Community Hospital, where he died suddenly during the night. His wife is Alma, daughter of Dan Yoders of Mercer, Pa., who survives, also two sons and four daughters.

Funeral services were held at the Levi D. Byler residence by Herbert Miller of Indiana, and Bishop Andy Byler, Melvin Yoder, and Menno Hershberger of the home church.

**FARMWALD, Nancy**, 79, of Arthur, Illinois

daughter of Levi J. and Sovilla (Miller) Mast, was born December 30, 1893, died March 30, 1973, aged 79 years and 3 months; married David Farmwald Dec. 3, 1914, he died in 1965, lived in matrimony 51 years. Leaves four sons, two daughters, one brother, one sister, 28 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren. A son met accidental death October 24, 1937.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 1, at the home place by Andy Raber from Northern Indiana, and Bishop Cris Otto of the home district, and in the little house by Levi Chupp and Harvey Chupp; burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

**FISHER, Aaron K.**, 45, of Strasburg R1, Pa.

died Saturday, April 7 at 3:45 p.m. at his home. Born in Lancaster County, he was the son of Stephen U. and Sarah (King) Fisher, Strasburg R1, and the husband of Sadie S. (Esh) Fisher. Besides his wife, he is survived by three daughters and two sons, Sylvia, wife of Christian King, Christiana R1, Katie, Sadie, Jesse, and David, all at home; three sisters and three brothers, Katie, wife of Jacob E. Stoltzfus, Strasburg R1, Rebecca, wife of John D. Glick, Paradise R1, Sarah, wife of Ben S. Beiler, Christiana R1, Amos C., Elmer K., and Stephen, all of Strasburg R1.

**HERSHBERGER, Steven Ray**, 3, Middlebury, Ind.

died in a truck-buggy accident (see front page). Surviving are the mother, Wilma R. Hershberger, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hershberger of Middlebury R3, Indiana.

Funeral services were held Sunday in the home of the grandparents by Bishop Ervin Bontrager. Burial was in the Bontrager Cemetery.

**HOCHSTETLER, Lydia**, 64, of Middlebury R3, Ind.

died Tuesday, April 17, at her home following an illness of five months. She was born in the Forks community September 8, 1908, the daughter of Samuel and Anna (Schrock) Mast. She was married March 8, 1928, to John Hochstetler, who survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Alvin (Susie) Bontrager of Middlebury; a sister, Mrs. Daniel D. Miller of Topeka, and three brothers, Amos Mast of Topeka, William Mast of Middlebury, and Abraham S. Mast of Ligonier.

Funeral services were held Friday in the family home by Bishop Ervin Bontrager. Burial was in the Bontrager Cemetery.

**KING, Mrs. Ida B.**, 90, of Honey Brook R2, Pa.

died Wednesday, April 4, at the Ephrata Community Hospital of complications and heart attacks. She was the wife of Moses S. King. Born in Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of the late John C. and Mary (Zook) Beiler. Besides her husband she is survived by four sons and three daughters, Sylvanus, John, Abner, Alvin, and Miss Ruth King, all of Honey Brook, Mary, wife of Henry B. Fisher, Gordonville, and Miriam, wife of Dale Young, Woodbridge, Virginia; 42 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Rebecca Zook, Morgantown, and Hanna, wife of Joshua Smoker, Smoketown.

Funeral services were held at the home by Emanuel Zook and Elam Kauffman; hymn read by Elam B. Stoltzfoos. Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery. Pallbearers were Menno S. Beiler, Abner King, Andrew King, and Jeffrey King.

**MILLER, Mrs. Katie J.**, 73, Goshen R6, Indiana

was found dead at her home April 24 (see front page). She was born east of Middlebury in LaGrange County September 21, 1899. She married Dan R. Miller April 6, 1924, who died March 2, 1973. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Crist (Viola) Miller, and Mrs. Lloyd J. (Lydia) Hershberger, both of Goshen; and five sons, Levi D. Miller, Garden Grove, Calif., Mahlon Miller and Ora M. Miller, both of Goshen, Melvin Miller, Elkhart, and Olin Miller, Phoenix, Ariz.; 18 grandchildren; three brothers, John Schrock and Levi Schrock, both of Goshen, and Dan Schrock, LaGrange; and a sister, Mrs. Alvin E. Bender, of Middlefield, Ohio.

Funeral services were held April 27 at the Ira Borkholder residence by Bishop Perry Nisley, David Bontrager, and Joe Bontrager. Burial was in the Thomas Cemetery, east of Goshen.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

**STOLTZFUS, Menno B.**, 69, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died May 1, at the age of 69 yr., 6 mo., 28 days. He died at the Lancaster General Hospital where he was admitted April 17. On February 12 he went to the hospital and on February 21 he was operated on for stones of the bladder. He was in the hospital three weeks, than at home six weeks, and back in for two weeks, till his death. The second time they operated and found he has cancer. The last week he was very low, hard to understand at times. but his mind was still clear.

Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of the late Menno and Rebecca (Beiler) Stoltzfus. He was self-employed as a carpet weaver, and was caretaker of Zeltenreich Cemetery for 32 years. Survivors include his wife, Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus, and the following sons and daughters; Christ B., Gordonville R1; Menno Jr., New Holland R1; Elam A., Strasburg R1; John F., Leola R1; Lena, wife of Glenn Schneck, Lebanon; Benjamin F., Holtwood; Rachel, wife of Robert Allison, Leola; Leroy and Sarah, at home; 33 grandchildren, one great-grandchild; and three brothers, Henry B., Benjamin B., and Kore M., all of Ronks R1.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Amos L. Lapp; hymn by Elam Esch. Further services were held at Daniel B. Smuckers' by Stephen Esh and Abner Smucker; hymn by Samuel S. King; at the graveyard, hymn by Dea. Eli S. King, abschied by Amos L. Lapp (Irishtown); burial was at Myers' Cemetery. Pallbearers were a grandson, Menno F. Stoltzfus, and three nephews, Kore's Samuel P. Stoltzfus, Christ's Bennie Fisher, and Stephen P. Stoltzfus.

**OTTO, Mary**, 77, of Arthur, Illinois

daughter of Christian and Magdalena (Wagler) Gingerich, was born September 20, 1895, died April 13, 1973, age 77 yr., 6 mo., 23 da. Married Noah M. Otto November 9, 1916, he died August 19, 1968, lived in matrimony 51 yr., 9 mo., 10 days. To this union one son and two daughters were born. One daughter, Lydia, died October 7, 1938, age 13 yr., 1 mo., 16 days. One son, Menno, lives in Howard Co., Indiana. A daughter, Lena, lives at home. Also surviving are 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home place Sunday, April 15 by Bishop Henry Miller, Bishop Ben Wagler from Daviess Co., Ind., and Bishop Andy Kaufman. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery. Relatives from Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri attended.

**RABER, Andy N.**, 85, of Holmes Co., Ohio

was found dead Saturday morning, April 21 from an apparent heart condition. He is survived by his second wife, Anna (Miller Yoder Mullett) Raber, six sons, three daughters, three step sons, four step daughters, 36 grandchildren, 83 great-grandchildren, 56 step grandchildren, and one brother. His first wife, Maryann Schrock, died in 1966.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 24, by Bishop Dan G. Yoder.

**SOMMERS, Frank M.**, 68, of Stark Co., Ohio

son of Manasses and Gertie (Hochstetler) Sommers, was born September 12, 1904 at Trail, Ohio, died April 26, 1973 in Aultman Hospital, Canton, Ohio, age 68 yr., 7 mo., 14 days. He was united in marriage to Ada Coblentz January 29, 1931, lived in matrimony 42 years and 3 months. To this union were born three sons and two daughters. He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters, Raymond and Melvin and Mrs. Alfred (Edna) Raber, all of Hartsville, and Nelson and Mary Ann of the home; 8 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Abe (Lucinda) Troyer of Ashland, and Mrs. Roman (Mary) Yoder of Berlin, O. His father, mother and 2 sisters preceded in death.

**STOLTZFUS, Infant**, Leola, Pa.

The infant daughter of Daniel F. and Rachel S. Stoltzfus, 95 N. Maple Ave., Leola, died at 2:10 a.m. Monday, April 9, at Lancaster General Hospital shortly after birth.

**YODER, David Y.**, 87, of Arthur, Illinois

son of Yost and Gertrude (Kaufman) Yoder was born September 3, 1886, died April 20, 1973, age 87 yr., 7 mo., 17 days. Married Mattie J., daughter of Min. Joe D. and Anna (Yoder) Schrock December 6, 1906, lived in matrimony 66 yr., 4 mo., 14 days. To this union were born 6 sons and 4 daughters. Surviving are the wife and 9 children. One daughter, Mrs. Anna Schrock, preceded him in death. Leaves 56 grandchildren, 136 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 23 by Levi G. Miller, Bishop Henry Miller, and Bishop Menno S. Miller; hymn read by Dea. Eli A. Miller; burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

**ZEHR, Suvilla**, 4, of New Haven, Indiana

daughter of Pete and Mary Ann (Wittmer) Zehr, died April 15 in Parkview Hospital. She had a heart defect since birth and wasn't very well the last few weeks. Surviving besides the parents are three brothers, Lester, Irwin, and Edwin, and six sisters, Emma, Loretta, Lydiann, Susan, Rebecca, and Arlene.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Enos Troyer of Goshen, Indiana. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery at Grabill, Indiana.

## WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO ACCIDENT

Eli D. Weaver, 34, met with an accident on the evening of April 19 on his way to his harness shop after supper, about ½ mile from home, when a drunken driver hit him from the rear with a car while Eli was walking. He has no broken bones. As of May 2 he was still in the hospital, unable to be up, with a blood clot and possible internal injuries. His wife, Mattie, is a daughter of Ezra and Ada Miller. They have four children including a baby which was three weeks old at the time of the accident.

Mesopotamia, Ohio — James A., 17, son of Allen D. and Elizabeth (Mast) Miller, had his left forefinger cut off in a saw accident, April 2, at Andy J. M. Miller's pallet shop.



# Gott ist treu, durch welchen ihr berufen seid zur Gemeinschaft seines Sohnes Jesus Christus.

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## ORDINATIONS

### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Amos G. Esh, 46, Gordonville R1, Pa., was ordained bishop in South Middle Lower Pequea District, April 21. Was ordained minister in 1959. With him in the lot were Pre. Eli Z. King and Pre. Stevie S. Esh.

Daniel M. Glick, 30, Lititz R3, Pa., was ordained deacon to fill the vacancy left by his father, Christ S. Glick in Northwest Upper Millcreek District, April 21. He is a son of Annie (Stoltzfus) and the late Dea. Christ S. Glick. His wife, Barbara R., is a daughter of Christian S. and Fannie (Riehl) King. With him in the lot were Elam S. Glick, Joseph S. Glick, Ezra Fisher, Daniel L. Stoltzfus, Samuel S. Stoltzfus, Jacob L. Stoltzfus, Jacob S. King, Henry S. King, Amos L. Esh, David K. King, and Stephen R. Glick.

Abram K. King, 40, 881 Eshelman Mill Road, Lancaster, Pa., was ordained minister in South Greenland District, April 23. He is a son of Annie (King) and the late Amos K. King. His wife, Mary, is a daughter of Christian H. and Lizzie B. (King) King. With him in the lot were Jacob M. Lapp, Joseph L. Beiler, David F. King, and Elam S. Glick.

John L. Stoltzfus, 44, 2249 Leaman Rd., Lancaster, Pa., was ordained minister in the North Greenland District, April 27. He is a son of the late Jacob E. and Barbara F. (Lapp) Stoltzfus. His wife, Arie E., is a daughter of Pre. Amos L. and Barbara (Esh) Smucker. With him in the lot were Christian S. Zook, Enos H. Fisher, and Christian L. Beiler.

### Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Ben K. Lantz, 30, Newburg R1, Pa., was ordained minister, April 21. He is a son of Sarah (King) and the late Moses Lantz of Lebanon Co., Pa. His wife, Bena, is a daughter of Samuel K. and Eva (Stoltzfus) Kauffman. With him in the lot were Jonathan H. Beiler, Christ L. Esh, Daniel B. King, John S. Peter-sheim, and Roman Kauffman.

### Holmes County, Ohio

Wayne A. Yoder was ordained bishop in Walnut Creek District, April 29.

Clarence J. Yoder, 35, son of Mrs. Ervin J. Mullet, was ordained bishop in the Sugar Creek District, April 27. His wife, Barbara, is a daughter of John E. Troyers, and a granddaughter of the late Benjamin D. Troyer of Sugarcreek.

### Wayne County, Ohio

Eli M. Yutzy, Millersburg, Star Route, Ohio, was ordained April 28, in Jacob Mast District. He is a son of Mose E. Yutzy.

### Ashland County, Ohio

Simon G. Brenneman, Ashland R5, Ohio, was ordained bishop in Southeast District, April 29.

### Adams County, Indiana

Samuel M. Girod, Berne R2, Ind., was ordained minister in the Middle District. He is married to the former Barbara Wengerd and they have one child.

### Kokomo, Indiana

Freeman Otto, 44, was ordained minister in South District, April 22. He is a son of Elizabeth Otto and the late Bishop Jerry Otto of Arthur, Ill. His wife, Mary, is a daughter of Menno Yoders of Arthur, Ill.

### Cashton, Wisconsin

Menno M. Hershberger was ordained bishop in South District, April 22. He is formerly of Geauga Co., Ohio, a son of Pre. Menno I. Hershberger.

### Arthur, Illinois

Amos D. Otto was ordained bishop in North Codwell District, April 22.

### Johnson County, Iowa

Jonas J. Beachy, 69, was ordained bishop in the S. E. Enos Swartzentruber District, April 29.

## BAPTISMS

### New Haven, Indiana

April 29, in Bishop Amos Schmucker District  
Anna Mae, daughter of Bishop Amos Schmuckers  
Rachel, daughter of Andy Eichers  
Marian, dau. of Victor and Dena Lengacher  
Clara Mae, dau. of Noah Schmucker Jr.

### Adams County, Indiana

#### East District

April 1, by Bishop Jake K. Hilty  
Joe R., son of Menno and Becky Eicher  
Amos J., son of Jonas and Margaret Graber  
Joe B., son of Christ E. and Bertha Schwartz  
Adeline S., dau. of Sam Grabers  
Leah L., dau. of Ernest V. and Lydia Eicher  
Kathryn R., dau. of Menno and Becky Eicher  
Maty H., dau. of Pre. Henry H. and Kate Schwartz  
Lydia L., dau. of Ernest V. and Lydia Eicher



# APRIL

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## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

April weather was wet and cool; rainfall totaled 6.1 in.; low temperature for the month was 26 degrees on the 13th; high was 80 on the 19th. Pasture is well started, with most stock out. Several early birds planted corn. This year Lilac (Pfingst Rosa) are in full bloom before Easter. Prices continue very high. A local resident sold litter pigs, average less than 8 weeks old, weight around 40 lb. each, for \$475.00, the litter totaled 16 pigs.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

April 1st we had thunderstorms and a hailstorm. A tornado did considerable damage forty miles northwest of here. April 4 we had an inch of rain with thunder. April 7 and 8 we had 1½ in.; 9th and 10th another ½ in.; 11th, snow gusts; 12th, snowed half a day, mixed with rain. From then until 25th we had nice warm fine weather. The 25th, 26th, and 27th were rainy, amounting to another 2 inches. Farmers were glad for it as fields were becoming dry. Corn planting is the main goal now.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

On Easter Sunday, April 22, Lancaster Intell reported a record of 86 degree temperature, with youngsters out swimming. Rainfall for Bareville area was 5 inches.

Market Report: Fat cattle market, \$42 to \$48 Cwt.; Vealers, \$58 to 80.50 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$31 to 37.75 Cwt.; Spring Lambs, \$50 to \$65 Cwt.; Two loads of purebred and grade cows out of Canada sold as follows: 4-year-old Lassie leader daughter, \$1800; 4-year-old Rockman granddaughter, \$1475; 16-month bull Marquis grandson, \$760; Fresh Cows, \$575 to \$850; Springers, \$515 to \$780; Fowl, .11 to .40 lb.; Pullets, .33 to .42 lb.; Roasters, .31 to .49 lb.; Capons, .52 to .59 lb.; Ducks, .43 to .50 lb.; Turkeys, .43 lb.; Guineas, .75 to .80 lb.; Pigeons (pair) .50 to 3.80; Rabbits, .65 to .80 lb.; Large Eggs, .49 Doz.; Potatoes, \$7 to \$8 Cwt.; Hay, \$35 to 87.50 Ton; Straw, \$37 to \$47 Ton; Ear Corn, \$25 to \$53 Ton, 2.10 Bu.; Wheat, 2.30 Bu.; Barley, 1.40 Bu.; Oats, 1.25 Bu.

by Elam S. Beiler

Farmers are plowing and getting corn ground ready as weather permits. There is some corn planted. Most of the plowing is done. Rye is going in heads now, some is mowed for hay or silage. Cows were turned out into pasture somewhat earlier due to an

early spring and high hay and feed prices. Wheat fields look better now again, had looked curled up and rather poorly earlier. Orchards are blooming. Potatoes are planted. Early garden vegetables are coming through, even sweet corn.

by Ammon F. Fisher

April 1st we had a thunder shower in the morning and again in the evening, with a very nice bright rainbow. April was wet, and lots of March winds. The 9th was 28 degrees; the next night had a hard thunder storm with .8 in. rain. Total rainfall for April was 6 inches. The warmest was 82 degrees on Easter Sunday, with a very warm breeze all day. The last five days were wet. Also had a few snow flurries through the month.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens L. Nissley

Weather in April was mild, with exception of a few light snows. Snowed in a.m. the 8th, but was all gone by evening. Was real nice weather and a lot plowing and field work done last while, until Friday 27th it rained and stopped field work. A lot of oats to sow yet. Trees are leafing out fast. Apple trees are just starting to bloom.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

April brought us about 7 inches of rain. Most of the work in the fields was done around the middle of the month, as the first ten days were wet. From the 15th to the 20th was nice during the day but cold nights with the ground frozen lightly in the mornings. The way it looks some fruit blossoms have frost damage. Cherry trees were extra full of blossoms this year. Very little corn is planted yet, but a lot of farmers are about ready to start. The water level in the ground still seems to be up pretty high, and some farmers are working around the wet spots instead of going straight through.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

With measurable amounts of rain on 13 days, traditional April showers totaled 6.4 inches here, making the month the wettest April since 1937 when rains came to 7.27 inches. Despite five days with below freezing temperature, April averaged only about a degree below normal. Easter Sunday saw the highest reading of the month at 86 degrees, and the low was 28 on the 14th. It was the warmest April here in the last three years. Daily high readings for the month averaged 59.66 degrees, while the low readings averaged 42.96 degrees. The month average of 51.31 degrees is 1.29 degrees below normal. Winter grain crops show the effects of too much rain, but have made improvements the last few days. Farming had been at a standstill the last two weeks. Springtime vegetables are on the menu. We can also enjoy an occasional mess of good fresh pond fish, which the children enjoy catching, and are plentiful.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

Lots of showers and heavy rains during the month of April, some snow flurries, a cold spell around the middle of the month. Pasture and hay crops look good. Farmers are busy plowing between showers.

### Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

The month of April was on the wet side, with heavy rains and thunder the 1st. Frosty mornings and snow flurries from the 9th to 14th. The coldest for the month was about 18 degrees. There was enough warm drying weather to permit farmers to sow oats, still some to sow. Early birds started planting corn. The last week has been wet and cool. Dairy farms are selling for around \$500 to \$1000 an acre. Several big operations are selling out. One of our neighbors decided two years ago it's time to get out or "go big," so he went big. Now he says "I spent all that money to make my work easier,—Harvestore silo, automatic feeders, pipe line milkers, etc.—now I have to work harder than ever to keep up." He now has the farm for sale, and, of course, at a high figure. Wouldn't it be well for us plain folks to take a lesson from such people and be more content with the way of life our forefathers left for us?

### Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata County was very wet throughout the month. Temperature was about normal. Total rainfall was 6½ inches, which is 3½ inches above normal. We've had a few days of snow squalls. But have had very little snow all winter, some less than a foot in total. Plowing was mostly done in March and early April, but much oats will be sown in May this year. Fruit trees are now in bloom, and grass is making good growth.

The Mississippi River is flooded this spring. It was 43 feet above flood stage at St. Louis April 30, the highest it had been since 1785 when it was 42 feet above flood level. It is expected to crest at 52 feet above flood at Vicksburg, Miss. about May 9th. As the water moves on south it is having twenty times the normal amount of water flowing into it, the paper states. Many homes are damaged, but not many crops, except for winter grains. Last year in June it was the Susquehanna River that was flooded.

### Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

April wasn't much extraordinary, had almost 5 in. of showers for May flowers. The coldest was 24 degrees on the 12th and 13th. Fruit seems to have weathered the cold O.K. Cherries, peaches, apples, etc. look real nice. Might even get a few apricots and bush cherries unless, of course, it would still freeze.

### Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had rain the first few days in April, and then it turned colder. We had almost a week that the ground was frozen in the morning. The ground that was plowed before that, doesn't take much preparation before planting. Oats were almost all sowed in April this year, and plowing well underway. Also several farmers have planted a few acres of corn. Some of the old alfalfa fields have more winter kill than usual, due, I believe, to lack of snow coverage throughout the winter.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

"April showers bring May flowers." We surely had lots of showers during April. Lawns and pastures are a beautiful green. Garden things are growing but will probably grow a little faster when the sun shines more. Apple trees are beginning to bloom. April 1st was rainy with thunder and lightning, was rainy most of the first week. April 10th and 11th were cooler with snow flurries. Highest temperature was 82 degrees, lowest was 22. There were 11 cloudy rainy days, 12 nice days, 5 days that were partly cloudy and sunny, and 5.7 inches of rainfall. Palm Sunday was cloudless all day, and it was nice over Good Friday. Some oats is coming up nicely, but still some to sow. Some plowing to do yet.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

Weatherwise April was wet and cool. Had 5½ in. of rain and several inches of snow. The week of Good Friday was nice and warm, but was cooler again till May 1. Plowing is still being done when weather permits, as many aren't done yet. Not much oats has been put in the ground yet either. Women's work is cleaning house, and gardening when weather permits.

### Enon Valley, Pa., by Mrs. Eli Y. Yoder

We are having wet weather at present, rained all day April 27 and that night. Farmers were plowing and sowing oats. Women folks were making garden. A rummage sale was held at the fire hall, that is a good place to buy wool for making rugs. My husband is kept busy in his blacksmith shop.

### Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

The first half of April was cold with some snow flurries, turning nice and warm the last half, giving farmers a chance to sow oats, but lots to sow yet. Friday the 27th it rained all day and that night, and part of Saturday, making it too wet to work in the ground for several days. Some early garden planted. Because of feed being a little scarce, some have put their cattle out on pasture earlier than usual.

### Crawford County, Pa., by Menno E. Fisher

April was changeable, with some snow and cold weather the forepart of the month. We had mostly nice warm weather the latter part of the month. Only a few inches of rain the whole month. Men are plowing, working ground, and sowing oats. Women are planting gardens.

### Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for April can pretty well be described with one word—WET! Had more cloudy days than sunny ones, which is unusual for April. Very little corn planted. Is getting rather late for these parts, as insects, etc. are hard on it if planted too late. Had frost three mornings, and on the 11th a brisk wind at 29 degrees. Some farmers say their wheat is damaged. Soybeans are up to \$7.00 again; Corn, 1.67.



1880 Mill Creek - John K. Stoltzfus (1804)  
 Bishop Lower Peg ② Christ Shible

April

### The Pequea Church Ministers from 1796 to 1931

About the year of 1800 Bishop Christian Stoltzfus (son of Nicholas) settled along the Mill Creek. Preacher Christian King came to the Pequea around 1796. In 1801 Johannes King came to the Pequea with a Full Deacon office. In 1805 the first minister was ordained in the Pequea proper, namely, John Stoltzfus, son of Christian. So now the rank was filled. Soon afterwards a Junior Bishop was ordained, namely, John Stoltzfus. Christian King moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania around that time. In 1810 Joseph Beiler was ordained minister. Around that time Michael Lapp moved to the Pequea from Chester County, Pennsylvania. According to the writings of the late Bishop Gideon K. Stoltzfus, he was a bishop. After his death, David Beiler was ordained minister.

### The Conestoga Ministers

The Conestoga was founded around 1760. Jacob Mast was the first bishop there, from 1788 - 1808. Peter Blank and his brother John served there in 1796, although the latter lived on the Pequea side. Christian Hertzler, son of Bishop Jacob Hertzler, was deacon there at that time.

Around this time (1800) the old Lower Pequea derived from the Conestoga (exact date unknown). John Blank, with his three sons, served the Pequea side until John's death in 1835. There was dissension in this district, and, after Bishop John's death, it was nearly dissolved. In 1852 it was reformed, and united with the Pequea.

Came to Pequea  
 1796 M. Christian King  
 1800 B Christian Stoltzfus  
 1801 D Johannes King  
 1810 B Michael Lapp

Ordained in Pequea  
 1805 M John Stoltzfus  
 B John Stoltzfus  
 1810 M Joseph Beiler  
 1822 M David Beiler  
 B David Beiler  
 1836 M Christian King  
 1839 D Michael Lapp  
 Divided 1843

### Pequea

B David Beiler 1871  
 M Joseph Beiler 1857  
 M Christian King 1865  
 B Christian King  
 1844 John Stoltzfus<sup>13</sup> 1884  
 1846 M Jacob Stoltzfus 1892  
 Divided 1852

B David Beiler 1871  
 1856 B Christian King 1865  
 Joseph Beiler 1857  
 1852 D Christian Beiler 1888  
 1859 M Eli Zug 1904  
 1867 B Eli Zug  
 Divided 1865

### Upper Pequea

B David Beiler 1871  
 B Eli Zug 1904  
 1865 M Gideon Fisher 1871  
 1866 M David Beiler Jr. 1908  
 1866 D John Beiler 1892  
 1871 M Benjamin Fisher 1904  
 1899 M Benjamin King 1900  
 1892 D Christian Lapp 1913  
 1901 M Christian L. Fisher 1943  
 1905 M Benjamin F. Beiler 1954  
 1908 B Benjamin F. Beiler  
 1909 John S. Stoltzfus 1928  
 Divided 1913.

### West Upper Pequea

M Benjamin F. Beiler 1954  
 1913 M John L. Fisher 1944  
 1914 D Jonas M. Beiler 1954  
 1919 M Christian B. King 1961

### Upper Pequea

M Christian L. Fisher 1943  
 M John S. Stoltzfus 1928  
 1913 M Henry Fisher 1919  
 1919 M Amos U. Stoltzfus  
 1918 D Aaron M. Fisher 1958  
 1928 M Christian M. Fisher  
 Divided 1942

### Middle Pequea

M Jacob Stoltzfus 1892  
 D Christian Beiler 1888  
 1865 M Samuel Hertzler 1878  
 1866 M Jonathan Kauffman 1902  
 1879 M Daniel Esh 1909  
 1890 D Amos Lapp 1917  
 1856 M Christian King<sup>12</sup> 1912  
 1892 B Christian King  
 1902 M Jacob Lapp  
 of Weavertown

1923 1907

### Upper Middle Pequea

D Amos Lapp 1932  
 M Jacob Lapp 1923  
 1907 M Jonathan Smucker 1953  
 1914 M John Petersheim 1947  
 1931 B John Petersheim  
 1923 M John S. Lapp 1970  
 1932 D Jacob Lapp  
 Divided 1949

NOTE - All right hand dates are time of death, left hand dates are of ordination.

From John B. Lapp's Ministers List

### Millcreek

B John Stoltzfus 1857  
1843 M John K. Stoltzfus 1884  
1845 B John K. Stoltzfus  
1843 M Henry Lantz 1881  
1844 M John Stoltzfus 1897  
of Groffdale  
Full Deacon Michael Swartz<sup>5</sup>  
1859 D Christian Stoltzfus 1903  
Divided 1873

### Upper Millcreek

D Christian Stoltzfus 1903  
1873 M John F. Stoltzfus 1886  
1873 M Henry Stoltzfus 1914  
1884 B Henry Stoltzfus 1914  
1878 M Joel Zook 1927  
1886 M John Zook 1923  
1894 D Menno Stoltzfus 1942  
Divided 1907

### Millcreek

B Henry Stoltzfus 1914  
M Joel Zook 1927  
1907 M Jonathan Stoltzfus<sup>6</sup>  
1910 M Daniel F. Stoltzfus 1923  
1911 M Christian S. Stoltzfus 1903  
1914 M Jonas Ebersol 1943  
1922 D John King 1942  
1924 M Aaron Esh  
1934 B Aaron Esh

### Upper Millcreek

1910 B John Zook 1923  
D Menno Stoltzfus 1942  
1907 M Stephen F. Stoltzfus 1941  
1912 M John Speicher 1953  
1923 M Jacob S. Stoltzfus 1953  
1925 B Jacob S. Stoltzfus

### Lower Middle Pequea

B Christian King 1912  
M Daniel Esh 1909  
1906 M Jacob M. Lapp 1955  
1908 M Amos Esh 1917  
1910 D Menno Fisher 1967  
1912 M Stephen Esh 1923  
1917 B Stephen Esh  
1918 David Z. Fisher 1966  
1924 Jacob K. Lapp 1962  
Divided 1931

### Conestoga Minister List Before 1800

Jacob Mast  
Peter Blank  
John Blank  
Christian Hertzler<sup>7</sup>

### Lower Millcreek

B John K. Stoltzfus 1883  
M Henry Lantz 1881  
M John Stoltzfus  
of Groffdale 1897  
1873 M Benjamin Lantz 1912  
1878 D Isaac Lapp 1911  
1882 M Joel King 1901  
1897 B Joel King  
1899 M John Beiler 1942  
1902 M Christian Lapp 1953  
Divided 1903

### Lower Millcreek

M Benjamin Lantz 1912  
D Isaac Lapp 1911  
M Christian Lapp 1953  
1903 M Henry Lapp 1954  
1917 B Henry Lapp  
1911 M John B. Lapp 1957  
1912 D Daniel P. King 1948  
Divided 1931

### Groffdale

1907 B John Beiler 1942  
1903 M Christian Fisher 1942  
1903 M David Y. Blank 1947  
1904 D Samuel U. Stoltzfus 1921  
1923 M David Zook 1961  
1942 B David Zook  
1937 M Elam B. Stoltzfoos  
Divided 1945

### West Lower Pequea

M Dan M. Stoltzfus 1942  
1915 M Aaron R. Glick 1957  
1931 B Aaron R. Glick  
1916 M Joseph Zook<sup>4</sup> 1972  
1921 D Tobias Stoltzfus 1952  
1924 M Aaron H. Glick 1954  
Divided 1934

### After 1800

Jacob Mast 1808  
1808 B Peter Blank 1831  
D John Mast 1832  
M John Mast 1873  
M Daniel Mast 1883  
D David Mast 1869

1851 M Christian Hertzler  
1852 John P. Mast<sup>10</sup>  
Moses Hartz<sup>11</sup> 1916  
1879 M Benjamin Stoltzfus 1902  
1888 B Benjamin Stoltzfus  
1888 M Samuel M. Stoltzfus 1949  
1914 B Samuel M. Stoltzfus  
1892 D Daniel Stoltzfus 1917  
1901 M Jonas Stoltzfus 1913  
1910 B Jonas Stoltzfus  
1911 M Benuel M. Stoltzfus 1942  
1914 M Jonas E. Stoltzfus 1947  
1918 D Daniel U. Stoltzfus  
Divided 1931

### Old Lower Pequea

B John Blank<sup>14</sup> 1835  
M John Blank Jr. 1846  
M Samuel Blank  
D Christian Blank<sup>8</sup> 1844  
1844 D John Stoltzfus 1884

### Lower Pequea

D John Stoltzfus 1884  
1852 M Christian Umble 1896  
1854 B Christian Umble  
1854 M David Stoltzfus 1896  
1855 M Moses Hartz<sup>1</sup> 1916  
1860 M Samuel Blank<sup>2</sup> 1867  
1868 M Gideon Stoltzfus<sup>3</sup> 1913

### Seperated in 1877

B Christian Umble  
M David Stoltzfus  
1879 M Dan M. Stoltzfus 1942  
1883 D John Lapp 1831  
1896 M Gideon K. Stoltzfus 1934  
1902 B Gideon K. Stoltzfus  
1896 M Christian Glick 1959  
Divided 1915

### East Lower Pequea

B Gideon K. Stoltzfus 1934  
M Christian Glick 1959  
D John H. Lapp 1931  
1920 M Samuel B. Stoltzfus 1925  
1925 M Jacob Zook



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Ashland County, Ohio, by Miss Mary E. Brenneman

The weather in April was rather unsettled all month through. Had some snow around the middle of the month. Even had snow on the last day of school which was the 10th. Also had lots of showers but no hard thunder storms at all. Most of the oats is in, but very little corn yet. Apple trees are in full bloom, but peaches are mostly frozen again this year.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had several weeks of warm weather in April, so the men could get their oats sowed, and early gardens made, but the last week it was cool and more rain. A few snow flurries were seen the 28th.

by John H. Hershberger

The average temperature for April was 39 degrees. Rainfall was below average, with no real hard rains as usual. April 4th we had some snow, and April 10 and 11 we had three inches of snow, which was soon all gone.

Stark Co., Ohio (Hartville), by Andrew M. Miller

April is past with not much rain like some times, we had more earlier. There is a lot of muck land around Hartville where there is celery, radishes, and lots of other vegetables grown. After the snow had melted there was a lot of water on the low land that did not have good drainage. Most of the oats is sown and there might be some corn planted. The fruit trees are in bloom and the maples leafing out fast. I was down east traveling on Route 30, crossing over the plateau of the mountain we noticed that the leaves were not as far on as they are here at home. There were a lot of farms sold around Hartville the last three years for building purposes. At one time we had three nice sized churches here, now there are two and not very big at that. Some of the folks moved to Missouri, Indiana, Wisconsin, Martinsburg, Ohio (a new settlement), and two new settlements in Pennsylvania.

Mesopotamia, Farmington, Bloomfield area,

by Eli D. Miller

Maple syrup production was about half of the normal amount, due to mild spring weather.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

April was wet. Lots of stalk to plow yet, some have a little oats in the ground. The fruit crop looks poor because of the late frost.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

April had many rainy days, some days a real hard rain. Field work is at a stand still.

by Jonas N. Borntrager

April was unusually wet. Lots of oats to be sowed yet and lots of plowing to do yet. Gardens are being planted between showers.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

April was fairly warm with a good amount of rain. We had a cold spell with some snow, and temperatures

as low as 22 degrees during the second week, after which the weather moderated somewhat with intermittent rains. Some oats has been sowed, but spring appears later than was expected during March.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of April we had continued wet, some nice days, but also some cool weather. Not much oats sowed yet. Pastures look good and wheat fields also are coming nicely.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

Good growing weather in April, only two mornings that the temperature was below freezing. Plenty of moisture, not hard rains, but frequently. Couldn't work in the ground very much. Not over 25% of the oats is sowed, no corn planted yet. Pasture is very good. Cattle and hogs prices leveled off some.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The forepart of the month was unusually cold and wet. The middle of the month was warm and muggy, with three inches of rain scattered through a week. Grass and wheat made good growth at this time. But the last of the month was cold again and more dry. Most of the oats got into the ground in good time and is growing nicely. Preparing for corn has been a struggle so far. Some corn was planted during the month. April has brought us the eighth month of continual high humidity. Since September drying weather was very scarce. Corn got moldy in the fields last fall, and didn't dry good. Some farmers left their corn standing in the field, hoping for it to dry out. Instead it collected more mold through our warm and mild winter. But we never had more than average rain through these months, like in some areas where it has gotten to flood stage. Grain prices are still very high, even though the quality is poor. Fruit hasn't been hurt yet in this area by frosts, but the winter was hard on the trees, killing some trees and limbs.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

April was more or less warm. Had a lot of rain. Snow flurries on the 10th, and went down to 23 degrees the next morning. Heard the peach crop is frozen again this year. Most of oats is sowed, and some corn is being planted.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

April was dry. This hardly seems possible when one recalls that there were 12 rainy days during the month, and when one considers that farmers have been unable to work in their fields. During the month we had only 3.26 inches of rain, with the normal being 3.61 inches, and a far contrast from the 8.8 inches we had in April of 1972. There was one unusual aspect during the month when we had 6½ inches of snow on the 12th, together with the snow on the 10th making a total of 7.1 inches. The last frost occurred on the 14th. High for the month was 7.7 on the 21st and low was 25 on the 11th. Rainfall, 3.26 inches; snowfall, 7.8 inches. There were 8 clear days, 13 partly cloudy, 9 cloudy, 12 rainy days, and one thunderstorm.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

The first of April we had a few cloudy and rainy days, and then some springlike days. We really appreciated Good Friday, was a nice day, we had enough sunshine for some sun tans. Wheat looks nice, and hay seems to be a nearly perfect stand and is growing. Fruit trees are in pretty bloom, and gardens are being planted. Quite a bit of oats is sowed, perhaps nearly all. At the end of the month the weather was cool and a fire in the stove was again needed to be comfortable.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

April started in with rain, thunder, lightning, and cloudy weather till 6th and 7th were very nice and sunny, up in the 60s and 70s. Some plowing and yard raking was done on those two days. By the 9th, cold and rain with some snow mixed in. Had 2 inches of snow on the morning of the 12th. A rainy Easter weekend then a nice week again to do field work, sow oats, and do gardening. Approximately 3 inches rainfall during April.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

Wet, describes the month of April. Had a few light blankets of snow, a few frosts, and freezing temperatures. In general it was quite moderate with some barefoot weather. During the last half of the last week some plowing was done, oats sowed, and a few gardens planted. On the last day of April we had quite a bit of rain, bringing field work to a standstill again. Flower trees, fruit trees, and strawberries are blooming.

Milroy, Indiana, by Simon Hostetler

April was wet and cool. A little plowing was done the last few days. Most farmers gave it up to sow any oats. There was hardly any fall plowing done, which will make late planting of crops this spring.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

April was a month of wet and cool, snow on the 8th, and a real blizzard the 9th, from the northeast, snowbanks in the yards as high as 5 and 6 feet, no milk man on Monday and no mail for two days. Some oats sown in March, some sown the latter part of April, and some resown. Grass and seeding made a good growth.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

We have had rainy weekends the last five weeks, but the 7th and 8th of April it was a snow blizzard instead of rain. But wasn't nearly as bad here as it was further west and in adjoining states, where cattle was lost by the thousands. The ground is still plenty wet but farmers are trying to get some oats sowed the last several days. A few farmers had sowed about three weeks ago, which is up nicely now. April 30 we had another 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches of rain.

Reno Co., Kansas (Partridge area) by Edward A. Mast

Very little field work could be done during the month of April because of moisture. Spring plantings are several weeks late. Alfalfa and pastures look real good. Temperatures were about average.

Cattaraugus Co., N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

April was a rather nice month. We also had lots of rain, but some rather warm days of 80 degrees. Lawns have been mowed already, and cherry trees bloomed. Some gardens have been planted as well as fields of oats sowed, quite a bit earlier than other years.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather was very wet, not much farming done, a little plowing done before the 10th, then we had a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch snow and temperature about 26 degrees. The early apricot and peach blossoms are frozen, later ones bloomed very nicely. Weather reports were that we had 7.34 inches of rain in April until the 20th. Then we had another 3 inches, which put water into lots of basements, and kept farmers out of fields till the last few days. Probably most of the oats have been sown. Not many sunshiny days.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

A snowstorm hit this area April 9th, which left nearly all roads sifted. Temperature was at 24 degrees. Were without mail service two days. The ground was too wet to work in fields until the last three or four days, then farmers were disking, getting ready to sow oats. Had quite heavy rains the 20th and 21st. Then not till the night of the 30th when it rained over an inch with some hail. It will delay field work again.

Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

April started in wet, cloudy, and rainy. On the night of the 8th it rained an inch, and by the next morning it turned to snow and snowed some all day, with a strong wind. By next morning it was still windy and down in the low twenties. The 9th was about as stormy a day as we had all winter. Now since Easter it hasn't rained and had more sunshine, so now the field work has finally started and quite a few oats have been sown.

Webster County, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

Continued wet weather. Had been drying off pretty well till the night of the 14th when we had 2.7 in. rain in a short time. Was hard on roads and bridges, and has been wet since. Got some oats sowed, but pastures and everything is way late. Milk price is \$4.80 for Grade C; Hogs at \$36; 40 to 45 lb. pigs are from \$30 to \$35 a piece. The cold wave and snow storm hit here April 16, bringing a low of 22 degrees, which froze much of the fruit. Strawberries are blooming now.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

Weather in April was various. We had the worst blizzard for April that I can recall ever seeing. The snow was all gone as we didn't have much all winter. Then Sunday, the 8th, the snow came, and a very high wind. Roads were blocked at most places thru here for a few days. Now since we had plenty of rain. Not much field work done yet. April 23rd, 34 degrees and clear skies.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada, by Martha M. Miller

April started in cool and damp, also have been having a lot of wind this month. We had some snow the second week of April, but had nice weather from then on, especially on Good Friday. Men are busy in the fields. Some early gardens have been planted, and some oats sowed. Buds are starting to show on trees, which means the syrup run is over. Grass is slowly turning green. We need a good warm rain, as it has dried off quite a bit. Had a good rain on Easter and has been lovely since. Weaned pigs, 6 weeks old, \$25 a piece, right now; calves are also high priced the last while.

Tavistock, Ontario, Canada, by Emanuel Peachey

April started in with cloudy and damp weather, but changed to colder, and had several inches snow the 10th and 11th. Middle of the month had many exceptionally nice and warm days. On the 25th we had our last heavy frost, but warm weather again since. Most of the farmers have some oats in, and are ploughing for corn. Early garden things are planted.

Millbank, Ontario, Canada, by Israel Kuepfer

The beginning of April there was a lot of windy weather. The week of the 16th it was nice and warm. The last week was cooler with some rain. Men are busy seeding, and early garden things are planted.

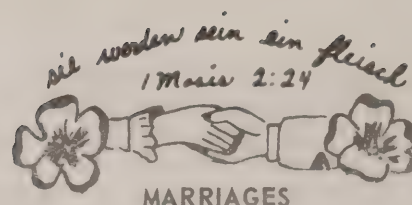
## PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE FIRE

Friday, March 23, about 11:30 a.m. fire was discovered on the house roof of Amos L. Stoltzfus and son Daniel of Honey Brook R2, Pa. It was believed to have started from a spark from the washhouse chimney landing on the wood shingle roof. Due to high winds the fire spread rapidly. Not much was saved from upstairs, but there was not much fire damage downstairs. The upstairs floor was badly damaged. It was decided to tear the house down and build further away from the road, as the house had been right against the road. Saturday, the 24th, with the aid of friends and the service of a bulldozer the debris was cleaned away. Monday it was dug out for the new house. By Saturday, the 31st, the roof was on, except for some shingles of which they did not have enough. April 3rd most of the insulation and rock lath was put on, and 84 men and boys had dinner there, most of any day. On April 11th they started to plaster. They received a lot of food and other things for which they are very thankful.

## BRADFORD CO., PA.,

## HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE

On the evening of March 13, the house of Sam Hershberger, Wyalusing R4, Pa. was badly damaged by fire on the inside, mostly in the kitchen. It started from an overheated oil cook stove. The family were all out milking when it started. One of the children first saw it from outside. With help from neighbors it was kept down until fire company came.



## Dover, Delaware

Yoder, Mast – Roman, son of Levi E. and Anna (Byler) Yoder, and Sadie, daughter of Dea. Dan B. and Sadie (Miller) Mast, April 5.

## Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Raber – Roy, son of Abner and Emma (Gingerich) Miller, and Fannie, daughter of Noah and Mary Raber, March 29.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Troyer – Abe, son of Levi D. and Ada (Miller) Yoder, and Barbara, daughter of Ura A. and Mattie (Schlabach) Troyer, April 12, by Bishop Dan E. Schlabach.

Weaver, Troyer – Levi, son of Benjamin J. and Amanda (Stutzman) Weaver, and Susie, daughter of Ura A. and Mattie (Schlabach) Troyer, April 19, by Bishop Andy J. Weaver.

Hershberger, Miller – Roy L., son of Levi D. and Effie (Yoder) Hershberger, and Annie, daughter of Andy D. and Mary J. (Yoder) Miller, April 26.

Yoder, Yoder – Alfred, son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe L. Yoder, and Mary, daughter of Min. and Mrs. Eli A. Yoder, April 26.

## Wayne County, Ohio

Miller, Nisley – Marvin, son of Henry E. Miller, and Amanda, daughter of Eli and Ida (Chupp) Nisley, April 12.

## New Haven, Indiana

Wittmer, Schwartz – Edwin, son of Ben and Emma (Schwartz) Wittmer, and Ann, daughter of Samuel and Marie (Steury) Schwartz, April 12, by Bishop Joe Schwartz.

## Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schmucker – Joe V., son of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Schwartz, Geneva R1, and Edna Ellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schmucker, of LaGrange, Indiana, April 12.

Girod, Byler – Pre. Ben Girod, Monroe R1, and Widow Clara Byler, of New Wilmington, Pa., April 24.

Hilty, Schwartz – Menno J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Hilty, Grabill R2, Indiana, and Elizabeth N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah R. Schwartz, Monroe R1, April 29.

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Bontrager – Eli E., son of Ervin J. and Mary (Lambright) Miller, and Ruby S., daughter of the late Samuel J. and Fannie (Schrock) Bontrager, Mar. 22.

Mullet, Miller – Homer, son of Albert Mullets, of Nappanee, Ind., and Sue Ann, daughter of Ray J. and Edna (Mast) Miller, April 17.

Lambright, Gingerich – Perry, son of Harvey and Nettie (Hostetler) Lambright, and Norma, daughter of Ezra and Mary Ellen (Miller) Gingerich, April 20.

Wir hoffen auf von uns erwarteten für Zinsen  
auf Maryland.

In einem guten Sinn ist es ganz einfach meine  
Lasshaltung und unser von dem Anfang und  
Zusatz des da steht in der Fassung und dem  
Fassung und große Zusatz so am besten ist, unter  
unsern Tugenden und auf in den gemeinsamen.

Dann so wird nicht mehr so sehr gefolgt mit  
der Ordnung Gottes und der Ordnung der  
gemein und ein Teil von den Artikel sein wir:  
lesen und unterrichten. Und noch mehr, die wir  
so viel Tugenden Familien unter uns sind das  
nicht von dem anderen arbeiten, wir wollen für  
guten wollen, aber nicht das thürer Land  
können können und können lesen können.  
So kommen für ein allersorten Tag Arbeit und  
das von ist fast alle Tag fast, nicht bei  
meiner Familie und das fast nicht gut  
aus, das kann man danken. So soll ich  
ganz einfach in der Liebe und in einem  
guten Sinn in einem stillen und  
untere aufstellen und so ich wissen  
soll wir unbeständig und das die Gründe  
so schnell zusammen setzen, soll ich  
früher beschloßen für Zinsen.

Aber jetzt wird mit unzufrieden  
und unzufrieden ein böses Gefühl  
davor gemacht und ist am besten von  
den anderen in der gemeinsamen für  
unter. Das muß ich sagen oder  
Gott sei alles sein gestaltet.

Stapfen F. Holzfuß

Im Jahr unter Jahren 1939.



## Footnotes

1. Moses Hartz was ordained on the Pequea side. Around 1860 he moved to the Conestoga Valley.

2. Samuel Blank succeeded Moses Hartz. He was the son of Deacon Christian Blank, who died in Juniata Co., Pennsylvania. He returned with his mother to the Pequea.

3. This Gideon was the son of John Stoltzfus, often referred to as "Tennessee John." In 1877 he was chosen bishop to lead a more progressive congregation.

4. In the 1920s Joseph Zook moved to Delaware. He died in Tennessee in 1972.

5. Michael Swartz moved into this district with a full deacon office, which he served here from 1834 to around 1858. Being a widower when he came he was married the second time to Barbara Stoltzfus Lapp, the widow of Isaac Lapp. They moved to Union County, Pennsylvania in the 1850s. Michael was born in France. His mother, Ann Swartz, resided with him in Upper Leacock Twp. in 1850.

6. Jonathan Stoltzfus served his ministry in this district only a few years. He joined the Jehovah Witness group.

7. Christian Hertzler is listed among ordained men in the alms book. He moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania around the turn of the century.

8. Deacon Christian Blank moved to Juniata County, Pennsylvania around the year 1844, and died there in that year. His widow returned to the Pequea with the family.

10. John P. Mast was ordained bishop in 1877 to lead a more progressive congregation.

11. Moses Hartz was ordained on the Pequea side. He stayed with the old church until 1896.

12. Christian King was ordained in Union County, Pa. in 1856. He moved to the Pequea in 1880.

13. John Stoltzfus moved to Tennessee in the 1870s.

14. John Blank was ordained bishop after his brother Peter's death in 1831.

## PEQUEA MINISTER LIST

## Those who came to Pequea

	date	from
M John Blank, before he was ordained	1790	Cocalico Twp., Lanc. Co., Pa.
M Christian King	1796	Heidelberg Twp., Pa.
B Christian Stoltzfus	1800	Cumru Twp., Berks Co., Pa.
FD Johannes King	1801	Cumru Twp., Berks Co., Pa.
B Michael Lapp	1810	Chester Co., Pa.
FD Michael Swartz	1834	
M Christian King	1880	Union Co., Pa.

## Those ordained in Pequea

	date	district
M John Stoltzfus	1805	
B John Stoltzfus	1808	
M Joseph Beiler	1810	
M David Beiler	1822	
B David Beiler	1831	
M Christian King	1836	
B Christian King	1856	
D Michael Lapp	1839	
M John Stoltzfus	1843	Millcreek
B John Stoltzfus	1848	
M Henry Lantz	1843	Millcreek
M John Stoltzfus (Groffdale)	1844	Millcreek
D John Stoltzfus (Tennessee)	1844	Pequea
M Jacob Stoltzfus	1846	Pequea
M Christian Umble	1852	Lower Pequea
B Christian Umble	1854	
M David Stoltzfus	1852	Lower Pequea
D Christian Beiler	1852	Pequea
M Moses Hartz	1855	Lower Pequea
D Christian Stoltzfus	1857	Millcreek

M Eli Zug	1859	Pequea
B Eli Zug	1867	
M Samuel Blank	1860	Lower Pequea
M Gideon Fisher	1865	Upper Pequea
M Samuel Hertzler	1865	Middle Pequea
M David Beiler	1866	Upper Pequea
D John Beiler	1866	Upper Pequea
M Gideon Stoltzfus	1868	Lower Pequea
M Benjamin Fisher	1871	Upper Pequea
M Benjamin Lantz	1873	Millcreek
M John F. Stoltzfus	1873	Upper Millcreek
M Henry Stoltzfus	1873	Upper Millcreek
B Henry Stoltzfus	1878	Upper Millcreek
M Joel Zook	1878	Upper Millcreek
M Daniel Esh	1878	Middle Pequea
D Isaac Lapp	1878	Lower Millcreek
M Daniel M. Stoltzfus	1879	Lower Pequea

## Pequea and Conestoga Ministers

M Benjamin Stoltzfus	1879	
B Benjamin Stoltzfus	1888	
B Christian King	1882	
D John Lapp	1883	Lower Pequea
M Joel King	1884	
B Joel King	1891	Upper Millcreek
M John Zook	1886	
B John Zook	1910	
M Samuel M. Stoltzfus	1888	Conestoga
B Samuel M. Stoltzfus	1914	
D Amos Lapp	1890	Middle Pequea
D Daniel Stoltzfus	1892	Conestoga
D Christian B. Lapp	1892	Upper Pequea
M Menno Z. Stoltzfus	1894	Upper Millcreek
M Gideon K. Stoltzfus	1896	Lower Pequea
B Gideon K. Stoltzfus	1902	
M Christian Glick	1896	Lower Pequea
M Benjamin King	1899	Upper Pequea
M John Beiler	1899	Lower Millcreek
B John Beiler	1907	
M Christian Fisher	1901	Upper Pequea
M Jonas Stoltzfus	1901	Conestoga
B Jonas Stoltzfus	1910	
M Jacob Lapp	1902	Middle Pequea
M Christian Lapp	1902	Lower Millcreek
M Henry Lapp	1903	Lower Millcreek
M Henry Lapp	1917	
M David Blank	1903	Groffdale
M Christian Fisher	1903	Groffdale
D Samuel U. Stoltzfus	1904	Groffdale
M Benjamin F. Beiler	1905	Upper Pequea
B Benjamin F. Beiler	1909	
M Jacob M. Lapp	1906	Middle Pequea
M Stephen F. Stoltzfus	1907	Upper Millcreek
M Jonathan Stoltzfus	1907	Millcreek
M Jonathan Smucker	1907	Middle Pequea
M Amos Esh	1908	
M John S. Stoltzfus	1908	Upper Pequea
D Menno Fisher	1910	Middle Pequea
M Daniel F. Stoltzfus	1910	Millcreek
M John B. Lapp	1911	Lower Millcreek
M Benuel M. Stoltzfus	1911	Conestoga
M John Speicher	1912	Upper Millcreek
D Daniel P. King	1912	Lower Millcreek
M Stephen Esh	1912	Middle Pequea
B Stephen Esh	1917	
M Henry K. Fisher	1913	Upper Pequea
M John L. Fisher	1913	Upper Pequea
M Jonas Ebersol	1914	Millcreek
M Jonas E. Stoltzfus	1914	Conestoga
D Jonas Beiler	1914	Upper Pequea
M John Petersheim	1914	Middle Pequea
B John Petersheim	1931	
M Aaron R. Glick	1915	W. Lower Pequea
B Aaron R. Glick	1931	
M Joseph Zook	1916	W. Lower Pequea
D Aaron M. Fisher	1918	Upper Pequea

M David Z. Fisher	1918 Middle Pequea	M Samuel U. Fisher	1944 Conestoga
B David Z. Fisher	1936	M John P. Esh	1944 Millcreek
D Daniel U. Stoltzfus	1918 Conestoga	M Stephen Esh Jr.	1945 Middle Pequea
M Amos U. Stoltzfus	1919 Upper Pequea	M Benuel E. Stoltzfus	1945 Georgetown
M Christian B. King	1919 Upper Pequea	M Jonas Beiler	1945 Upper Pequea
M Samuel B. Stoltzfus	1920 Lower Pequea	M Stephen E. Stoltzfus	1946 Middle Pequea
D Tobias Stoltzfus	1921 W. Lower Pequea	M Sylvan Stoltzfus	1946 Upper Pequea
D John King	1922 Millcreek	B Sylvan Stoltzfus	1971
M Jacob S. Stoltzfus	1923 Upper Millcreek	M Stephen L. Stoltzfus	1947 S. Groffdale
B Jacob S. Stoltzfus	1925	M Stephen U. Zook	1947 N. Groffdale
M Aaron H. Glick	1924 W. Lower Pequea	M Jacob M. Stoltzfus	1947 Conestoga
B Aaron H. Glick	1924	B Jacob M. Stoltzfus	1956
M John S. Lapp	1924 Middle Pequea	D John E. Stoltzfus	1947 Georgetown
M Aaron Esh	1924 Millcreek	M Levi S. Fisher	1948 Middle Pequea
B Aaron Esh	1934	M David K. King	1948 Lower Millcreek
M David B. Zook	1924 Groffdale	M John L. Stoltzfus	1949 S. Groffdale
B David B. Zook	1942	B John L. Stoltzfus	1970
M Jacob K. Lapp	1924 Middle Pequea	M Abner Glick	1949 Georgetown
B Jacob K. Lapp	1940	D Emanuel Lapp	1949 N. Groffdale
M Jacob Zook	1925 Lower Pequea	M Aaron Y. Beiler	1949 Middle Pequea
M Christian M. Fisher	1928 Upper Pequea	B Aaron Y. Beiler	1966
B Christian M. Fisher	1956	M John S. Glick	1949 Georgetown
M Amos U. Glick	1931 Upper Millcreek	B John S. Glick	1956
M Daniel E. Stoltzfus	1931 Middle Pequea	M Amos S. Beiler	1949 Middle Pequea
B Daniel E. Stoltzfus	1948	D John Z. Fisher	1949 S. Groffdale
M Benjamin Kauffman	1931 Middle Pequea	M Samuel S. Zook	1949 S. Lower Pequea
M Levi E. Stoltzfus	1931 E. Upper Millcreek	M Moses K. Blank	1950 S. Lower Pequea
B Levi E. Stoltzfus	1942	M Samuel S. Kauffman	1950 Georgetown
M Samuel F. Stoltzfus	1931 Conestoga	B Samuel S. Kauffman	1968
B Samuel F. Stoltzfus	1949	M Henry S. Fisher	1950 S. Lower Pequea
M Benjamin L. Stoltzfus	1931 Upper Millcreek	B Henry S. Fisher	1971
M Daniel M. Stoltzfus	1931 Conestoga	D Jacob L. Stoltzfus	1950 Conestoga
D Daniel E. Stoltzfus	1932 Upper Millcreek	M Jonas S. Lapp	1950 Middle Pequea
D Jacob B. Lapp	1932 Middle Pequea	B Jonas S. Lapp	1962
M John S. King	1932 Lower Millcreek	M Jacob S. King	1950 Honey Brook
M Christian R. Beiler	1932 Lower Millcreek	M Levi F. Stoltzfus	1951 N.E. Lower Pequea
B Christian R. Beiler	1944	M Lloyd Beiler	1951 E. Lower Pequea
M Joel King	1932 Middle Pequea	M Daniel B. Stoltzfus	1951 Conestoga
D Benjamin E. Stoltzfus	1933 Conestoga	D John K. Lapp	1951 S.W. Lower Pequea
M Stephen Fisher	1933 Conestoga	M John M. Beiler	1951 Upper Pequea
M Levi Fisher	1934 E. Lower Pequea	B John M. Beiler	1955
D Levi U. Stoltzfus	1934 Middle Pequea	M Joseph B. King	1951 Upper Pequea
M David R. Blank	1935 N. Lower Pequea	M John S. Fisher	1952 Upper Pequea
M D. Ira Stoltzfus	1935 S. Lower Pequea	D Benjamin Lantz	1952 Lower Millcreek
B D. Ira Stoltzfus	1955	D Aaron J. Stoltzfus	1952 N.E. Lower Pequea
D Eli Smucker	1937 Lower Millcreek	M David Blank	1952 Upper Millcreek
M Elam Stoltzfoos	1937 Groffdale	B David Blank	1965
M Moses B. Riehl	1937 Millcreek	M Amos Smucker	1953 Middle Pequea
M Samuel F. Stoltzfus	1939 E. Lower Pequea	M Isaac Dienger	1953 E. Lower Pequea
B Samuel F. Stoltzfus	1949	D Tobias Stoltzfus	1953 S. Lower Pequea
M David R. Glick	1939 E. Lower Pequea	D Aaron M. Beiler	1953 Upper Pequea
M Gideon Stoltzfus	1940	M Jonathan F. King	1954 N.W. Lower Pequea
B Gideon Stoltzfus	1955	B Jonathan F. King	1967
M Abram Beiler	1940 N. Lower Pequea	M Amos Lapp	1954 Upper Pequea
M Amos E. King	1940 Lower Millcreek	D John Y. Beiler	1954 Middle Pequea
B Amos E. King	1963	D Samuel K. King	1954 Georgetown
M Daniel K. King	1940 Millcreek	M Joseph S. Fisher	1954 Upper Pequea
M Benjamin S. Lapp	1940 Upper Millcreek	M Joel K. Zook	1954 Upper Pequea
B Benjamin S. Lapp	1960	B Joel K. Zook	1962
D Ira Stoltzfus	1941 N. Lower Pequea	M John F. Glick	1954 N. Lower Pequea
M John K. Fisher	1941 S. Lower Pequea	B John F. Glick	1965
M Enos Beiler	1941 Millcreek	M Levi E. King	1954 Lower Millcreek
B Enos Beiler	1957	M Joseph F. Beiler	1954 N.W. Lower Pequea
M John K. Lapp	1941 Groffdale	M Aaron F. King	1954 N.W. Lower Pequea
M David S. Glick	1941 Upper Millcreek	M David Fisher	1955 Middle Pequea
M Ephraim Riehl	1941 Millcreek	D Benjamin F. Beiler	1955 Upper Pequea
D Henry K. Beiler	1942 Millcreek	M Gideon Riehl	1955 N. Lower Pequea
M Amos M. Fisher	1942 Upper Pequea	D David F. King	1955 N.W. Lower Pequea
B Amos M. Fisher	1947	M Benuel S. Fisher	1955 Upper Pequea
M Ephraim K. King	1942 E. Upper Pequea	M Eli Stoltzfus	1955 Upper Millcreek
D Aaron F. Stoltzfus	1942 Millcreek	D Elam Esch	1956 Upper Millcreek
D Jacob B. Zook	1942 Upper Millcreek	M David L. Riehl	1956 Ninepoints
D Jacob F. Lapp	1942 E. Lower Pequea	B David L. Riehl	1967
D Jacob A. King	1943 Upper Pequea	D Christian Lapp	1956 Upper Pequea
M Henry U. Fisher	1944 Upper Pequea	M Amos L. Beiler	1956 Georgetown
		B Amos L. Beiler	1962



M John S. Stoltzfus	1956	Georgetown	M Stephen S. Fisher	1969	Kinzers
M Amos S. Lapp	1956	Upper Pequea	D Amos S. Fisher	1969	Smyrna
B Amos S. Lapp	1960		M Gideon K. King	1969	N. White Horse
M Samuel U. Stoltzfus	1956	Nine Points	M Christian R. Petersheim	1969	Ninepoints
M Levi Riehl	1956	Honey Brook	M Daniel S. Stoltzfus	1969	Ninepoints
M Elam A. Beiler	1957	Upper Pequea	M Samuel E. Stoltzfus	1969	S. White Horse
M John K. Stoltzfus	1957	S. Lower Pequea	M David L. Stoltzfus	1969	S. White Horse
M Jonas K. Esh	1957	Georgetown	M Samuel L. Stoltzfus	1969	Ninepoints
M Gideon B. Lapp	1957	Upper Pequea	D John K. Stoltzfus	1969	Mascot
M Elam Kauffman	1957	Honey Brook	M Daniel L. Stoltzfus	1969	Honey Brook
B Elam Kauffman	1970		M Amos M. Kauffman	1969	Ninepoints
D Amos E. Stoltzfus	1957	Conestoga	M John U. Stoltzfus	1969	Conestoga
M Aaron E. Fisher	1958	Belmont	D Levi K. Esh	1969	Limeville
M Henry S. Stoltzfus	1958	Nine Points	M Benjamin F. Beiler	1970	Upper Middle Pequea S.
M John E. Lapp	1958	Lower Millcreek	M Enos Esh	1970	W. Intercourse
M Levi H. Fisher	1958	Upper Pequea	M Amos B. Zook	1970	S. White Horse
M Jonas F. King	1958	Middle Pequea	M Jacob King	1970	Lower Millcreek
M Jacob S. Smucker	1958	N.E. Lower Pequea	M Samuel K. Zook	1970	E. Georgetown
D Jonathan Z. Beiler	1958	Upper Pequea	D Benjamin S. Stoltzfus	1970	W. Ninepoints
M Amos K. Stoltzfus	1959	Upper Millcreek	M Christian B. Stoltzfus	1970	Conestoga
D Jacob F. Esh	1959	Georgetown	M Joseph S. Fisher	1970	Soudersburg
M Eli Z. King	1959	Middle Pequea	D Amos B. Lapp	1970	Lower Millcreek
M Amos G. Esh	1959	Middle Pequea	D Aaron J. Glick	1970	Millcreek
M John E. Smoker	1959	Middle Pequea	D Benjamin Kauffman Jr.	1970	E. Ninepoints
B John E. Smoker	1961		M Jacob E. Fisher	1971	N.W. Georgetown
D Levi P. Kauffman	1959	Honey Brook	M John Miller	1971	Mascot
M Samuel K. Lapp	1959	Upper Millcreek	D John E. Kauffman	1971	Millwood
D Jacob Stoltzfus	1959	Nine Points	M Ezra H. Beiler	1971	W. Quarryville
D David S. Esh	1959	Middle Pequea	D David S. Blank	1971	S. White Horse
D David Z. Esh	1959	Middle Pequea	M John R. Glick	1971	Quarryville
M Elam S. Zook	1959	Upper Millcreek	M Ivan L. Fisher	1972	Kirkwood
D Levi Beiler	1959	Upper Millcreek	M Samuel K. Stoltzfus	1972	W. Kirkwood
M John B. Stoltzfus	1959	Union	D Daniel L. Stoltzfus	1972	Soudersburg
D Christian N. Stoltzfus	1960	Upper Pequea	M John F. Fisher	1972	W. Quarryville
M Stevie S. Esh	1960	Middle Pequea	D Eli S. King	1972	Mt. Tabor
M Aaron S. King	1961	Upper Pequea	M Henry L. Stoltzfus	1972	Kirkwood
M Daniel S. Stoltzfus	1961	Conestoga	D Omar S. Fisher	1972	Monterey
M John K. Beiler	1962	Quarryville	D Roy S. Fisher	1972	Quarryville
M Enos S. Glick	1962	Quarryville			
M Amos F. Stoltzfus	1962	N. Groffdale			
M Daniel Z. Stoltzfus	1963	Upper Millcreek			
M Samuel E. Fisher	1963	Belmont			
M Amos L. Stoltzfus	1963	Upper Millcreek			
M Benuek K. King	1963	Upper Millcreek			
M Amos K. King	1963	Quarryville			
D Abram S. Beiler	1963	Middle Pequea			
M Jonas S. Esh	1964	Middle Pequea			
D Jonas S. Esch	1964	Quarryville			
D Christian S. Glick	1964	Upper Millcreek			
M Jonas S. King	1965	Lower Millcreek			
M Benjamin K. Fisher	1965	Union			
M Samuel S. King	1965	Mt. Tabor			
M Benjamin Esh Jr.	1965	Witmer			
M Daniel E. Beiler	1966	Millcreek			
M Samuel K. Fisher	1966	Nine Points			
M Emanuel S. Fisher	1966	Smyrna			
M Emanuel B. Zook	1967	Limeville			
M Henry P. Esh	1967	Mascot			
M Abner S. Smucker	1967	Mt. Tabor			
M Daniel S. Fisher	1967	Smyrna			
M Melvin A. Beiler	1967	Beuna Vista			
M Christian S. Esh	1967	Monterey			
M Amos M. Stoltzfus	1967	Witmer			
M Israel S. Stoltzfus	1967	Union			
D Abram K. King	1967	Witmer			
D Christian S. Lapp	1967	Beuna Vista			
D Henry L. Stoltzfus	1967	Hollow School			
M Daniel S. Diener	1967	Limeville			
D Amos F. Beiler	1967	Leola			
M Christian B. Riehl	1967	Mascot			
D John E. Esh	1967	W. Intercourse			
M John Allgyer Jr.	1968	Beuna Vista			
M Amos E. Stoltzfus	1968	Limeville			
M Israel M. Beiler	1969	E. Georgetown			
B Israel M. Beiler	1972				

### To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

by Amos L. Fisher

#### THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

Continued from last month

The next in line of the John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker family is Veronica, or "Frony," as she was called, born October 19, 1783, in Berks County, Pennsylvania. Her first husband was Solomon King, youngest son of the emigrant, Samuel King of Berks County.

They resided in Berks County, Pennsylvania for several years after their marriage, till 1804 when they purchased a farm in Leacock Twp., Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania, of one hundred and nineteen acres, from Peter and Mary Eby. It was at this time that they moved from Berks to Lancaster County, bringing along their three children, namely, (1) Barbara King, born in 1801; (2) Sarah King, born in 1802; (3) Catharine, born in 1803. After Solomon King and his wife, Frony Schmucker, and three children had lived in Lancaster County for about six months, Solomon King died, and the farm was resold in Leacock Township by his father-in-law, John Schmucker (who was then still living in Cumru Twp., Berks County) and his brother, Jacob King of Leacock Twp., to John Hershey.

Sometime after the death of Solomon King his widow, Frony (Schmucker) King, remarried, to Christian Zook of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Christian was a preacher, and also Bishop, and was better

known "als der Lang Christ Zook." He was also a widower. His first wife was Cathrine Hertzler, the youngest child of John and Veronica (Rickenbach) Hertzler. After Frony's second marriage she moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. To this union were born six children, namely, (4) Veronica, (5) Joseph, (6) Joel, (7) Christian, (8) Salome, and (9) Cathrine.

We will try and give an outline as to whom Frony Schmucker's children were married. The oldest, as mentioned above, was (1) Barbara King, born Dec. 28, 1801, died March 3, 1871, and was married to John Kauffman, the son of Christian and Anna (Fisher) Kauffman, and resided in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Second was (2) Sarah King, born in 1802, married to Joseph Zook, the son of Long Christian and Cathrine (Hertzler) Zook. She married her second husband, Solomon Yoder, the son of Jacob and Cathrine (Plank) Yoder, who was a brother to Pre. Yotter Hannes and Barbara (Rickenbach) Yoder. Frony's third child was (3) Cathrine King, born in 1803, and married to Christian Peachey, the son of Moses and Barbara (Yoder) Peachey. Christian Peachey married as his second wife, Mary Beiler, the daughter of John Beiler of Union County, Pennsylvania. Christian and Cathrine (King) Peachey had six children; two died young; their names being (A) Barbara Peachey, born in 1827, died in 1841; (B) John Peachey, born in 1828, married to Sarah Zook; (C) Solomon Peachey, born in 1830; (D) Fanny Peachey, born in 1832, married to Jonathan Zook; (E) Cathrine Peachey, born in 1835, died in 1835; (F) Sarah Peachey, born in 1833, married, and was the second wife of David Stoltzfus of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of the late Solomon Stoltzfus of Salisbury Township, where numerous of their descendants are living today.

The children of the second marriage of Frony Schmucker to Bishop Long Christian Zook were (4) Elizabeth Zook, born in 1819, married to Simon Kenagy, who was a son of Joseph and Fanny (Hooley) Kenagy, who were the ancestors of a large offspring of the Kenagy families of Mifflin County, Lancaster County, and the western states.

Next was (5) Eli Zook, born December 12, 1821, died February 2, 1904, married to Rebecca Lapp, daughter of Deacon Michael and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Lapp of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He was ordained to the ministry in 1859, and elected to the office of bishop in 1867. They had eight children, namely, (A) Christian, died young; (B) Barbara Zook, married Samuel King of Ronks, who had only one son, Eli King married to Annie Roth, who also lived in Ronks, and died without issue; (C) Eli Zook Jr., married to Martha Fisher. One of their sons, Samuel Zook died recently, at the age of 92 years, in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania. Eli Jr. died as a young man, thirty years of age. (D) Rebecca Zook, married to Isaac Stoltzfus; their son, Noah Stoltzfus, lived and died in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. (E) John Zook, married to Cathrine Zook; there are no living descendants of this family anymore. (F) Jacob Zook, married to Elizabeth Flaud, and second to Sarah King,

and had one son, Isaac Zook, who lived in the vicinity of Ronks, Pennsylvania; (G) Leah, died young; (H) Jonas Zook, married Elizabeth Fisher. There is a large offspring of this family; to mention a few is Lydia Zook, who resides in Adams County, Indiana, was first married to David Graber, and second to Christian Neuenschwander; and Jonathan Zook, who resides at Lancaster Route 4, where his son-in-law, Joseph B. King, is in the ministry; also John F. Zook, who lives and has descendants in Mifflin Co., Pennsylvania; and Daniel F. Zook, who lives at Ronks R1, Pennsylvania.

Next was (6) Lydia Zook, born December 12, 1821, being a twin to Bishop Eli Zook, was married to Jacob Kenagy, a son of John and Mary (Hooley) Kenagy; (7) Samuel Zook, born in 1824, married to Magdalena Zook, a daughter of Solomon and Leah (Sharp) Zook; the youngest was (8) Magdalena Zook, married to Jacob Hertzler, son of Adam and Mary (Hooley) Hertzler. This family has a large offspring in Mifflin and Lawrence Counties, Pennsylvania. A granddaughter, Mary Hostetler, became the wife of Bishop John K. Byler of East Brook, Pennsylvania. Another great-grandson of Jacob and Magdalena (Zook) Hertzler is Dr. John A. Hostetler of Willow Grove, Pa., Professor of Anthropology and Sociology at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

We will make mention of the children of Long Christian Zook by his first wife, Cathrine Hertzler; (1) Veronica Zook, married to Samuel King; (2) Joseph Zook, married to Sarah King, the daughter of Solomon and Frony (Schmucker) King, mentioned above; (3) Joel, died young; (4) Christian Zook, married to Lydia Byler, granddaughter of Bishop Hans Byler; (5) Salome Zook, married to John F. Beiler of Lancaster County, son of the late Bishop David Beiler 1786 - 1871. John F. Beiler was the great-great-grandfather of Abner F. Beiler of Gordonville R1, Pa.; (6) Cathrine Zook, married to Yost Yoder, better known as Lame Yost Yoder, of Mifflin County, Pa.

To be Continued

#### LITTLE THINGS

1. Little things, ay, little things,  
Make up the sum of life;  
A word, a look, a single tone,  
May lead to calm or strife.
2. A word may part the dearest friends, -  
One little, unkind word,  
Which, in some light, unguarded hour,  
The heart with anger stirred.
3. A look, will sometimes send a pang  
Of anguish to the heart;  
A tone will often cause the tear  
In sorrow's eye to start.
4. One little act of kindness done,  
One little, soft word spoken,  
Hath power to wake a thrill of joy  
E'en in a heart that's broken.
5. Then let us watch these little things,  
And so respect each other,  
That not a word, a look, or tone,  
May wound a friend or brother.



## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

## Shiplists

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No. 61. Johannes Hertzler, likely the son of Bishop Jacob Hertzler, was born in Switzerland. For awhile we could not locate his first plantation, which was in Alsace Township, Berks County, just east of Reading (see Hertzler Family History, by Silas Hertzler). There were very few of our Northkill group east of the Schuylkill River, but here is at least one.

No. 62. Hans Blauch (Blough) was likely a brother to Christian. We cannot locate this family.

No. 63. Jacob Frey is listed in Brecknock Twp., Lancaster County tax returns. In 1771 a Christian and a John Frey are listed as inmates. By 1773 there is a Jacob Jr. listed.

No. 64. Johannes Schock (Schrock). For about four years we were watching this name in Berks Co. tax lists, where they were mostly spelled Shock or Shuck. This name has definitely turned out to be Shrock and Shraug in the second generation. Henry Schraug also had a land grant at the foot of the Blue Mountains in now Upper Bern Township by 1792. Casper Schaug is found among a 1753 shiplist and is believed to be the Casper Schrag, or the old man Schrag, listed in the Northkill church alms book. He had a land grant in Heidelberg Township, now Lebanon County, Pennsylvania. According to old family histories there was a Casper Schrock married to Mary Stucky. If this is a family tie to our Peter and Michael Stucky (No. 39) is yet to be found out.

No. 65. Christian Kauffman. We are not sure of this family line.

No. 66. Johannes Lehman. This family we can not, as yet, place.

No. 67. Nicholas Miller. We have four Nicholas Millers listed, one in now Centre Township, one in Tulpehocken Township, one in Cumru Township, and one in Heidekberg Township, now Lebanon County, a land joiner to the Christian Beiler homestead, near the present Fairview Mennonite Church. We are not prepared to single them out.

No. 68. Peter Stucky. See No. 64.

No. 69. Christian Blaich (Blough) lived in now Lebanon County. He is a widely known forebearer in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, and west. Evidently he left no male lineage.

No. 70. Hans Koenig was granted a tract in now South Heidelberg Township, near Wernersville. This tract was called Koenigsburg.

We have now released a series of shiplists of Swiss-German immigrants that came to America and colonized more or less in groups. Other shiplist names which are of equal interest to us will follow. However, they will be classed separately because we feel they came under somewhat different circumstances and have proven with time to transmit significant Christian practices in maintaining the old Mennonite standards to our church, as well as many other branches of the Mennonites. In order to more clearly understand the nature of these singular movements we feel we should include a brief study of the Jacob Ammon versus John Reist letters in the time of the European Mennonite split from 1793 - 1810. Some of these original letters are preserved and have been published in the Christliche Gemeinde Kalender, Kaiserslautern, Germany in 1908, 1909, and 1915. We propose to begin this with our article next month.

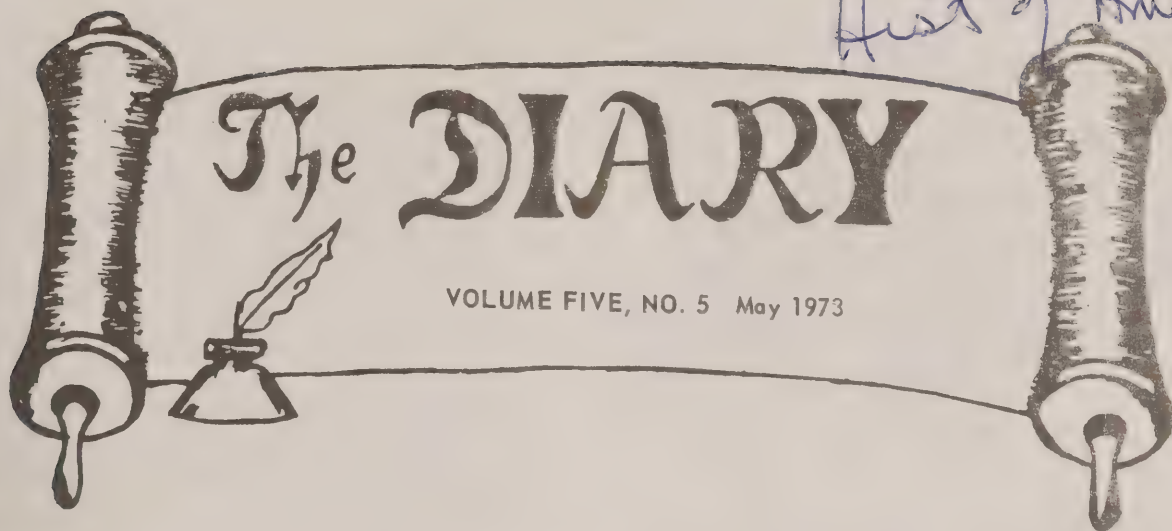
NOTE - These series of Shiplists, under our article, "Our Fatherland in America," must be considered by our readers as a study and not a final statement. Although we "pieced" together and "summed up" from legal documents and many other proven reliable sources to the best of our knowledge, however, they are not faultproof, and we will be glad to accept alternate views to our work when they prove more fitting and accurate.

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BUGGY STRUCK BY CAR,  
LAGRANGE WOMAN DIED

Katie Shrock, 53, of LaGrange R4, Ind., died an hour after she was seriously injured in a car-buggy accident at 9:05 p.m. Saturday, May 5, on M-86 near Centreville, Michigan. Mrs. Shrock died in Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Mich., after suffering fractures to both legs and severe internal injuries. Also hurt were passengers in the buggy: Andrew Shrock, 56, husband of the victim, who suffered broken bones and abrasions and was listed in serious condition in Three Rivers, Mich., hospital. Levi Shrock, 55, Shipshewana, driver of the buggy, suffered broken bones and internal injuries, and was also listed in serious condition, and Mary Shrock, 53, of Shipshewana, wife of Levi, sustained broken bones and internal injuries and was listed in serious condition. Both the car and buggy were eastbound on M-86 when the car struck the rear of the slow-moving vehicle. Parts of the buggy were scattered along a 388-foot section of the road. The buggy was lighted with two lanterns, and with a slow-moving vehicle emblem. Bishop Andy Schrock and Pre. Levi Schrock and their wives were on the way to Centreville, Michigan, they had planned to go to Levi Schrock's daughter and son-in-laws, Ura H. Millers in Wm. P. Miller district, and be there for communion services the next day, when the accident occurred. (See obituary)

HOLMES CO. MAN HAD LEG AMPUTATED

John J. S. Yoder, 68, of Fredericksburg R1, Ohio, is a patient at the Orrville Hospital where they took off his foot three inches below the knee. He had poor circulation and no feeling in his feet, and for that reason let hot water run over his feet, and they were burned a month ago. Because of his sugar diabetes and hardening of arteries they could not get it to heal, and for that reason the doctor had to take it off. He was very poor at one time, but at last reports some better again.

TOPEKA CHILD STRANGLED WHILE PLAYING

Jay D. Lehman, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lehman, Topeka R2, Ind., was found dead on his grandfather's farm Wednesday, April 25, at 11 a.m. He died of accidental strangulation according to the LaGrange County coroner. He had been playing with some older children on the Ervin J. Miller farm, also at Topeka R2. He was left alone, and when his playmates returned, they found the child with his head caught between a horse watering tank and some heavy wire fencing. The tank had been propped against the shed by the older children. The fencing was also standing upright against the shed. The boy crawled in between them, apparently to look into the tank. As he did, the fencing slipped and pinned him. The children returned to the site and found him dead.

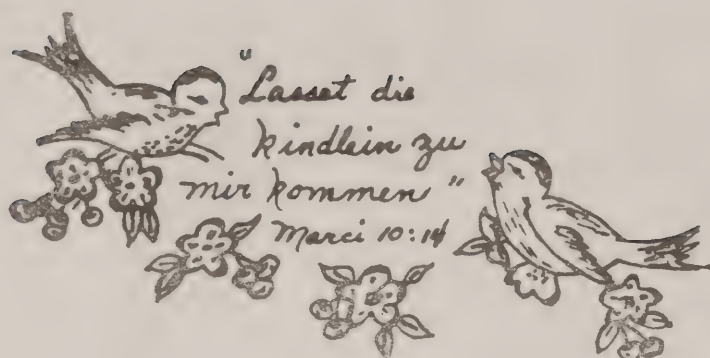
(See obituary)

YOUTH BURNED IN MIFFLIN CO. EXPLOSION

Crist, 16, son of Ezra F. and Miriam (Swarey) Peachey of Mifflin County, Pa. was doing a small job of soldering in his father's shop with a torch on Monday, May 21. He noticed a small piece of paper had caught fire, burning only a small flame. There was also in the shop a 25 lb. of gun powder. Intending to put out the fire, he bent over to blow out the flame. Just as he bent over the gun powder exploded, doing slight damage to the shop but not burning it. Crist was knocked down, his face and hands were burned quite badly but no other parts of his body. His face was swollen a good bit and his eyes were swollen shut for a couple days. Till Thursday he was again able to eat by himself.

New Wilmington, Pa. — Andy, seven-year-old son of John M. Bylers (Andy J.) got his finger into the feed grinder, and cut it so badly the doctor took it off. This young fellow is deaf and attends a school for the deaf. Fortunately he is a very talented boy.





## BIRTHS

## Dover, Delaware

- BYLER, Henry D. (Mary Ann Byler) Dover, R6  
a son, May 30
- BYLER, Melvin (Martha Ann Mast) Dover R5  
a son HENRY ADAM, May 23
- MILLER, Atlee (Barbara King) Dover R2  
a son WILLARD, May 29

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

- HERTZLER, Ben (Lydia Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville, a daughter FANNIE, May 7
- ZOOK, Ben (Naomi Hostetler) Mechanicsville  
a daughter FANNIE, May 1

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- BEILER, Levi L. (Rachel F. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3  
a son DAVID, May 24
- ESCH, Jacob (Arie Blank) New Providence R1  
a daughter MARY, May 5
- ESCH, Leroy S. (Rebecca Miller) New Providence R1  
a son SYLVAN M., May 3
- ESH, Aaron K. (Sylvia K. Lapp) Quarryville R3  
a daughter SYLVIA L., May 19
- ESH, Daniel S. (Annie H. Beiler) Ronks R1  
a son Daniel S. Jr., May 18
- FISHER, David S. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a son HENRY R., May 11
- FISHER, Elmer L. (Annie S. Kauffman) Christiana R1  
a son JONATHAN K., May 10.
- FISHER, Samuel S. (Naomi Riehl) 1650 Morningside Dr.  
Lancaster, a son JOHN DAVID, May 14.
- GLICK, David (Dora K. Glick) Gap R1  
a daughter ANNA M., April 24
- KAUFFMAN, Benueal M. (Lydia Lapp) Honey Brook R2  
a son AMOS K., May 31
- KAUFFMAN, Elam P. (Sadie King) Honey Brook R2  
a son ELMER K., May 12
- KING, Christian K. (Rebecca B. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a son DANIEL M., May 23
- KING, John B. (Barbara K. Zook) Paradise R1  
a son LEVI Z., May 19
- STOLTZFUS, David Z. (Emma Petersheim) Leola R1  
a son DAVID Z. JR., May 14
- STOLTZFUS, Jonas (Susie Zook) Leola R1  
a daughter SYLVIA, May 2
- STOLTZFUS, Abram F. (Katie B. Fisher) Leola R1  
a son ELI K., May 14

- STOLTZFUS, Benjamin S. (Naomi Stoltzfus) Leola R1  
a daughter NAOMI, May 6
- STOLTZFUS, Daniel L. (Katie E. Smucker) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son DANIEL L. JR., May 21
- STOLTZFUS, Daniel S. (Annie S. Fisher) Lititz R2  
a daughter SARAH, May 24
- STOLTZFUS, David K. (Miriam Zook) Gap R1  
a daughter ROSANNA, May 8
- STOLTZFUS, Gideon F. (Barbara A. Fisher) Gap R2  
a son DANIEL F., May 13
- STOLTZFUS, John F. (Rebecca K. Beiler) Bart  
a daughter REBECCA B., May 28
- STOLTZFUS, John K. (Lydia Fisher) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son JOHN, May 27
- STOLTZFUS, Samuel I. (Sylvia R. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a son S. IVAN, May 3
- STOLTZFUS, Stevie (Annie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1  
a daughter VERDA MAE, May 30
- WAREY, Ezra (Leah Blank) Gap R1  
a daughter FANNIE B., May 2
- ZOOK, Moses B. (Mary B. Esh) New Holland R1  
a son DANIEL B., May 16
- ZOOK, Moses S. (Katie F. Zook) Gap R1  
a son MOSES Z., May 23

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

- LAPP, Isaac (Esther Peachey) Myerstown R2  
a daughter KATIE ANN, May 2
- SMOKER, Jacob (Rachel Stoltzfus) Myerstown R1  
a son DAVID, May 28 (lived only one hour  
see obituary)
- STOLTZFUS, Isaac (Annie Stoltzfus) Myerstown R2, a daughter SUSIE MARIE, May 12

## Adams County, Pennsylvania

- BYLER, Eli S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus)  
a son AMOS EMANUEL, May 18
- STOLTZFUS, Emanuel S. (Mary Ann Detweiler)  
a son ROBERT, May 28

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

- TROYER, Roman E. (Sarah Yoder)  
a daughter EDNA, May 6

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## Centre County, Pennsylvania

KING, Enos (Lavina Esch)

a son ELAM, May 2

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, John (Katie Peachey) Belleville

a son AARON, May 18

PEACHEY, Shem (Barbara Zook) Belleville

twin sons JONATHAN and JOSEPH, May 15

SUMMY, Henry (Mattie Yoder) Allensville

a daughter NANCY, May 24

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BRENNEMAN, Jonas M. (Salina Kinsinger) Grantsville,

a daughter ANNIE, May 23

YODER, Noah B. (Fannie Brenneman) Grantsville, Md.

a daughter ESTHER, May 27

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Crist (Clara Ann Miller) Marion Center

a daughter LAURA, May 29

MILLER, Bill (Fanny Miller) Punxsytown

a son EPHRAIM, May 18

SCHLABACH, Dan (Esther Miller) Smicksburg

a daughter EMMA, May 17

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

HOCHSTETLER, Neal (Ida Byler)

a daughter MARTHA, May 3

## Conewango Valley, New York

MILLER, David S. (Lizzie Miller)

a son ROMAN, May 15

## Wayne and Holmes Counties, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Roman E. (Gertie Yoder)

a daughter, May 11

HERSHBERGER, Sam L. (Mary Miller) Dundee R1

a daughter RUTH, May 24

MILLER, Allen N. (Calista Shrock)

a son MARLIN, May 8

MILLER, Dan R. (Anna Barkman)

a son, May 2, died 4 days later.

MULLET, Ervin J. E. (Savilla Troyer)

a son MARK ERVIN, April 18

RABER, Eli E. S. (Mary Schlabach)

a son, May 14

SCHLABACH, Andy A. (Sadie E. Troyer) Millersburg,

Star Rt., a daughter BARBARA, May 19

TROYER, David L. (Amanda Weaver) Dundee R2

a daughter MARY, May 14

YODER, Bishop David E. (Anna Miller)

twin sons NELSON and NORMAN, May 1

YODER, Malva J. (Laura Coblenz)

a son, May 3

## Ashland County, Ohio

BRENNEMAN, Allen (Lydia Weaver) Ashland R5

a son ALVIN, May 21

KEIM, Albert (Edna Schmucker) Ashland R1

a son HARVEY, May 23

SHROCK, Melvin (Anna Miller) Ashland R1

a son SAMUEL, May 22

## Geauga County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, Daniel D. (Ida Yoder)

a son, May 24

BYLER, Dan U. (Ada J. Miller)

a daughter SARAH, May 16

BYLER, Melvin A. (Wilma Gingrich)

a son CHESTER, May 2

MILLER, Dan E. (Malinda A. Troyer)

a son, May 4

SCHMUCKER, Andy R. (Sarah Miller)

a daughter CATHERINE, May 7

SCHROCK, Marvin M. (Mae S. Farmwald)

a daughter, May 12

SLABAUGH, Crist C. Jr. (Mattie Yoder)

a daughter FANNIE, May 9

## New Haven, Indiana

GRABER, Jesse Jr. (Clara Schwartz)

a daughter BETH ANN, May 13

SCHMUCKER, Mervin (Delila Schmucker)

a son MELVIN, May 4

## Elkhart and LaGrange Counties, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Marvin A. (Betty Lambright) Wolcott-

ville R2, a son FLOYD, May 16

FRY, Clarence (Polly Anna Whetstone) Middlebury R3

a daughter LINDA SUE, May 25

GRABER, Mervin S. (Sarah Hochstetler) Middlebury R3

a son FLOYD, May 12

HOCHSTEDLER, Andrew (Carrie L. Kuhns) LaGrange

R1, a daughter MARY, May 1

KURTZ, Joseph (Mattie Fry) Topeka R2

a son DELMER J., May 17

MAST, Freeman Jay (Mabel Hostetler) Ligonier R2

a daughter LEAH FERN, May 2

MILLER, Chris Jay (Edna Bontrager)

a son LOREN JAY, in April

MILLER, David A. (Mary Kathryn Miller) Topeka R1

a daughter LORETTA KAY, April 25

MILLER, Herman J. (Emma Mullet) Topeka R2

a daughter MARTHA SUE, May 11

MILLER, Jake P. (Nettie Miller) Shipshewana R2

a son LLOYD, May 14

MILLER, Samuel E. (Orpha E. Miller) Ligonier R1

a daughter ROSANNA, April 26

NISLEY, LeRoy (Katie Yoder) Wolcottville R2

a daughter RACHEL, May 7

TROYER, Jacob E. (Fannie Yoder) LaGrange R1

a daughter ERMA, May 23

WEAVER, LeRoy D. (Ida Bontrager) Shipshewana R2

a son MARTIN, May 3

WENGERD, Joseph (Anna Whetstone) LaGrange R1

a daughter ELIZABETH, May 18

WHETSTONE, Glen J. (Alma Hostetler)

a daughter IRENE G., May 10

WINGARD, Raymond J. (Dora Miller) Middlebury R3

a daughter ESTHER, May 5

YODER, Christie (Marlene Miller) Millersburg R1

a daughter LORA MAE, May 15

YODER, John A. (Lydia Miller) Wolcottville R2

a son AARON J., May 8

YODER, Melvin W. (Vera Yoder) Middlebury R3

a daughter VIOLA, May 26



## BIRTHS, Continued

## Centreville, Michigan

BONTRAGER, William (Dena Sue Yoder)  
twin sons, ROMAN and NORMAN, May 23  
YODER, Dennie D. (Alma Hostetler)  
a daughter KATIE ELLEN, May 10  
YODER, Willis D. (Fannie Bontrager)  
a son DANIEL, April 29

## Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Ben J. (Clara N. Schwartz) Berne R2  
a son BEN, May 28  
HILTY, Elmer K. (Salome Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter LEAH, May 25  
SCHWARTZ, Enos G. (Irene F. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a daughter FANNIE, May 12  
SCHWARTZ, Paul H. (Mandy M. Shetler) Monroe R1  
a son WILLIAM, May 29  
SCHWARTZ, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Q., Geneva R2.  
a daughter REBECCA, in May

## Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Francis, (Viola Knepp)  
a daughter DOROTHY, April 27  
GRABER, Joe (Mary Margaret Graber)  
a daughter, May 10  
GRABER, Nicholas, Jr. (Anna Graber)  
a daughter RACHEL, May 2  
KNEPP, David, (Anna Mae Knepp)  
a son NORMAN, April 15  
KNEPP, Jacob (Rosann Marner)  
a son JOHN DEVON, April 1  
RABER, John (Rosie Wagler)  
a son DAVID, May 14  
SWARTZENTRUBER, Alvin (Lorene Marner)  
a son NORMAN JAY, April 16  
YODER, Lester (Marie Raber)  
a son SAMUEL JAY, April 13

## Arthur, Illinois

CHUPP, Lewis (Mary Bontrager)  
a son NORMAN, May 11  
MILLER, Marvin (Elnora Chupp)  
a son KEVIN EUGENE, May 11  
PLANK, Norman (Emma Mae Schrock)  
a son ELMER EUGENE, May 12

## Buchanan County, Iowa

MILLER, David (Elizabeth Yutzy) Hazleton  
a daughter ADA, May 8  
MULLET, Eli (Verba Mast) Fairbank  
a son EMANUEL, May 21  
YODER, Min. Philip (Carolyn Schwartz) Fairbank  
a son SOLOMON, May 16

## Johnson County, Iowa

MILLER, Fenton (Lydia Chupp)  
a son MARVIN RAY, May 6

## Marshfield, Missouri

EICHER, Levi and Leona  
a son MARLIN, May 28

## Jamesport, Missouri

DETWEILER, Freeman T. (Emma Gingerich)  
a daughter MARTHA MAGDALENA, May 23  
KAUFFMAN, Neal S. (Emma Kramer)  
a son ABRAHAM, May 16  
ROPP, Tobie C. (Cora Miller)  
a daughter SUSAN, May 13

## Pike County, Missouri

SCHROCK, Andy (Lydiann Borkholder)  
a daughter, May 28

## Milverton, Ontario, Canada

KUEPFER, Alvin and Esther  
a daughter JUDY LYNN, May 9  
KUEPFER, Joseph A. and Mary  
a son NEIL, April 29

## Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada

STUTZMAN, Chester and Sarah  
a daughter MARY, in May

## OBITUARIES

BEILER, Mrs. Barbara S., 77, of Intercourse, Pa.

died unexpectedly on Saturday, May 12 at her home of an apparent heart attack. She was the widow of Simeon B. Beiler who died January 18, 1972. Her age was 77 yrs., 10 mos., and 14 days. Born in Lancaster County, she was a daughter of the late Isaac and Annie Lapp. Surviving are three brothers: Christ M. Lapp, of Intercourse; David Lapp, of Ronks R1; and Samuel Lapp, of Paradise R1; and three sisters: Mrs. Katie King, of Ronks R1; Mrs. Annie Blank, of Atglen; and Fannie, wife of Aaron Lapp, of Gordonville R1.

Brief funeral services were held at the home May 15 by Enos Esh and John E. Esh; burtherr services at the Elam Petersheim home by Jonas King and Bishop Daniel Stoltzfus; hymn read by David Z. Esh; at the graveyard by John K. Lapp; abscheid by Jonas Esh; burial in Myers Cemetery.

BONTRAGER, John M., Centreville, Michigan

died May 20 at the age of 78 yr., 10 mo., and 16 days. Was born at Middlebury, Ind. July 14, 1894. His parents, Manasses E. and Fannie (Miller) Bontrager, preceded him in death. He was married to Elizabeth Mullet August 23, 1916 at Dodge City, Kansas, lived in matrimony 56 years. Born to this union were eleven sons and two daughters. One son, Manasses, preceded him in death. Surviving are ten sons and two daughters: Benedict of Nottawa, Mich., Levi, William, Johnny, Ezra, and Martin all of Centreville, Mich., Alvin of Burr Oak, Mich., Henry of White Pigeon, Mich., Enos of Colon, Mich., Neal of Constantine, Mich., Miriam, wife of Vern Yoder, Fannie, wife of Willis D. Yoder all of Centreville, Mich.; 71 grandchildren, and 54 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Enos of Goshen, Ind., Manasses of Millersburg, Ind., and Levi of Sturgis, Mich.; three sisters, Mrs. Joni (Katie) Miller of Topeka, Ind., Mrs. Sam (Millie) Wierich of Middlebury, Ind., and Mrs. Ralph (Lydia) Kauffman of Middlebury, Ind., plus many nieces and nephews.

**BYLER, Andy E.**, 62, Stoneboro, Mercer Co., Pa.

was born January 7, 1911, died May 25, 1973 in the Greenville Hospital after several years illness. Surviving are his wife (Emma Burkholder), 6 sons and six daughters.

**GRABER, Daniel J.** Graber, 83, Shipshewana R2, Ind. died Saturday, May 5, in the Goshen General Hospital where he had been a patient four days. He was born August 8, 1889, in Daviess County, and had lived in Shipshewana since 1916. He was married in 1913, to Edith Schrock, who preceded him in death in 1920. He married Katie Hochstetler April 13, 1922, who survives. Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Truman (Lizzie) Schrock and Mrs. Vernon (Anna) Lambright, both of Shipshewana, Mrs. Ora (Ada) Nisley of Goshen, and Mrs. Melvin (Fannie) Mast of Ligonier; six sons, Levi and Melvin, both of Shipshewana, Samuel of Goshen, Milo, John, and Tobe, all of Middlebury; three sisters, Mrs. Amanda Helmuth of Welford, N. D., Mrs. Levi Bontrager and Mrs. Mose Bontrager, both of Middlebury; four brothers, Peter, Amos, and William Graber, all of Etna Green, and John Graber of Middlebury; 48 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the family home by Bishop Perry L. Bontrager; burial was in the Naylor Cemetery.

**HERSCHBERGER, Lovina**, 83, Amboy, Indiana

died Tuesday, May 29, at her home following an illness of eight months. Born in Daviess Co., Ind., she was a daughter of the late Simon and Fannie (Swartzentruber) Gingerich. On October 29, 1918 she was married to Joe E. Herschberger of Arthur, Illinois, who survives. Surviving in addition to her husband are a son, Simon Herschberger, Middlebury, Indiana; five daughters, Mrs. Leo (Fannie) Yoder, Kalona, Iowa; Mrs. Edwin (Lizzie) Bontrager, Kokomo R1, Mrs. Moses (Tillie) Bontrager, Kokomo R4, Mrs. Andrew (Clara) Yoder, of the home, and Mrs. Andy (Rosa) Herschberger, Kokomo R4; a brother, Rudy Gingerich, Middlebury, Indiana; two sisters, Mrs. Christ (Rosa) Yoder, Amboy, and Miss Sarah Gingerich, Arthur, Illinois; 38 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren. Three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren are deceased.

**KNEPP, Martin**, 74, Montgomery R1, Indiana

died at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, at his residence in Barr Township after a brief illness. He was born November 26, 1898, a son of the late Abraham and Anna (Brandenberger) Knepp. In 1927 he married Rosa Wittmer, and she survives. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Arthur (Alta) Wagler, Montgomery R1, Mrs. Harry (Rosemary) Graber, Odon R1, and Miss Lillie Catherine Knepp, at home; five sons, Melvin, Johnnie, Raymond, Willis, and Martin Ivan Knepp, all of Montgomery R1; 55 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; one brother, Fred Knepp, Montgomery R1, and two sisters, Mrs. Leah Graber and Mrs. Lizzie Swartzentruber, both of Loogootee R1. Six brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

**LEHMAN, Jay D.**, 2 yrs., of Topeka R2, Indiana

son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lehman, died April 25 from strangulation (see front page). He was born March 12, 1971, in LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving are his parents; one brother, John, seven months old; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Lehman, Shipshewana R2; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Miller, Topeka R2; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Martha Miller of Topeka R2.

Funeral services were held at the home of John E. Miller, by Bishop Amos N. Miller and Bishop Nathaniel N. Miller; burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**MAST, Dea. Jacob J.**, 88, of Geauga Co., Ohio

died May 17. He leaves his wife, the former Mary Miller, daughter of Aley John Miller, and the following children, John J. of the home, Albert of Montville, Ohio, Mrs. Emma Sidley, Malinda, wife of Andy E. Mast, and Sarah, wife of Pete H. Weaver.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Andy M. Miller of Holmes County and Bishop Eli J. Mast of the home church, and in the barn by Bishop Lester Slabaugh of Holmes County and Bishop Noah Bender.

**SCHROCK, Amanda L.**, 84, of Arthur, Illinois

died May 13 at the age of 84 yr., 2 mo., and 8 days. She was born March 5, 1889 a daughter of the late Levi J. and Nancy (Miller) Mast; married Dec. 7, 1909 to Eli J. Schrock, he died October 24, 1963, lived in matrimony 53 yr., 10 mo., and 7 days. To this union were born one son and seven daughters. Survivors include one brother, 32 grandchildren, and 52 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home place by Levi G. Miller, Bishop Henry Miller, and Bishop Menno S. Miller; hymn read by Ervin J. Schrock; burial in Miller Cemetery.

**SHROCK, Katie**, 53, of LaGrange R4, Indiana

died after she was injured in a car-buggy accident near Centreville, Michigan, May 5 (see front page). She was born near Hutchinson, Kansas, October 24, 1919, and was married in 1940, to Andrew Shrock, who survives. Also surviving are nine daughters, Mrs. Edward (Edith) Schmucker of Medford, Wis., Mrs. Alvin (Wilma) Beechy, Mrs. Marvin (Amanda) Beechy, and Mrs. Alva (Freda) Bontrager, all of LaGrange, and Mary, Ada, Clara, Miriam, and Lydia Ann, all at home; five sons, David of Shipshewana, Mervin of Middlebury, and Ervin, Daniel, and Jacob, all at home; six sisters, Mrs. Jacob Miller, Mrs. Mahlon Shrock, and Mrs. Fred Yoder, all of Medford, Wis., Mrs. Jacob Raber of Topeka, Mrs. William Bontrager of Buchanan, Iowa, and Mrs. David Yoder of Marshfield, Mo.; and three brothers, Jacob Petersheim of Topeka, David Petersheim of Wolcottville, and Joe Petersheim of Haven, Kansas.

Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10 in the family home by Bishop William Yoder; burial was in the Mast Cemetery.



**SMOKER, Infant, of Myerstown R1, Pa.**

son of Jacob and Rachel Smoker died one hour after birth. Surviving with the parents are a sister, Ruth, also maternal grandparents, Jacob and Saloma Stoltzfus, and paternal grandparents, John and Saloma Smoker. An infant brother preceded him in death.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Amos Esh; burial was in the Lebanon County Amish Cemetery.

**STREICHER, Mrs. Rudy (Katie), 65, Milverton, Ont.**

died April 30. In April 1972 she was taken to the Listowel Hospital after suffering a stroke. She was later moved to the Milverton Nursing Home, where she was in poor condition for a long time. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schmidt. She is survived by her husband and five sons, Enoch, Ezra, Levi, and John, all of Milverton R2, and Jacob of Newton R1; two daughters, Rebecca and Mrs. Cornelius (Marie Ann) Jantzi; and two brothers, Daniel and Nicholas of Newton. A son, Reuben died about 14 years ago.

Funeral services were held May 3 by Pre. Emanuel Schmidt (a cousin) of Monroe, Indiana.

**WICKEY, Mrs. Rosa, 69, Geneva R2, Indiana**

wife of David D. Wickey, died at 9:45 p.m. Tues., May 29, at her home from a heart attack. Even tho death was unexpected, she had been in failing health for several months. She was born August 21, 1903 in Adams County, a daughter of Jacob A. and Katherine (Graber) Schwartz. On October 11, 1923 she was married to David D. Wickey. Surviving in addition to her husband are the following children: Levi R. Wickey, Berne R1; Mrs. Dan M. J. (Mary Ann) Schwartz, Jake R. Wickey, Mrs. David M. (Rebecca) Girod, and Mrs. Joseph K. (Elizabeth) Schwartz, all of Geneva R2; Reuben R. Wickey and David R. Wickey, both of New Haven, Ind.; Mrs. Enos K. (Catherine) Schwartz, Berne R2, and Mrs. Enos E. (Adeline) Schmidt, of Monroe; 15 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. A son, Joe, and a daughter, Emma, are deceased. No brothers or sisters survive. Deceased brothers and sisters are Sam K. Schwartz, Emma, and Adeline.

Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

**YODER, Ervin A., 60, Sugarcreek R2, Ohio**

died Friday morning, May 11, after suffering a heart attack while attending communion services in the home of a brother, Abe Yoder, of Sugarcreek R2. He had unhitched his horse and led him to the water trough, where Ervin died from the attack. He was a son of the late Andrew L. and Amanda (Troyer) Yoder. His wife, Iva (Schlabach) Yoder, died in February, 1972. Surviving are three daughters and two sons, Mrs. Joe (Mary) Miller Jr. and Mrs. Gideon (Anna Mae) Raber of Sugarcreek R2, Verba and Eli E. of the home and Aden E. of Shipshewana, Ind.; three sisters and seven brothers, Mrs. Dan N. (Katie) Yoder of Orrville, Mrs. Roman J. (Amanda) Mullet of El Salvador, Central America, Mrs. John H. (Emma Mullet, Monroe A. and Roman A. Yoder of R1, and Abe A. of

R2, Sugarcreek, Jonas A. of Baltic R1, Levi A. of Sarasota, Fla., Noah A. of Georgia, and Andy A. of Millersburg; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Nelcon D. Yoder and Mrs. Joe R. Yoder of Sugarcreek R1, and 13 grandchildren. A brother is deceased.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Monroe Y. Miller; burial was in the Rob Yoder Cemetery.

**YUTZY, William, 70, of Arthur, Illinois**

died May 26 at the age of 70 yr., 3 mo., and 8 days. He was born June 8, 1902, a son of the late Solomon and Magdalena (Kemp) Yutzy; married Rachel L. Stutzman February 16, 1926, lived in matrimony 47 yr., 3 mo., and 19 days. To this union were born one son and two daughters, all married and living around here. He leaves his wife, 17 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Stutzman home, in the house by Bishop Abe Gingerich and Bishop Cris Otto, psalm read by Bishop Henry Miller, and in the Millstore basement by Min. Eli Schlabaugh and William Mast, psalm read by Dea. Eli A. Miller. Burial was in Otto Cemetery.

#### LANCASTER COUNTY ACCIDENT

Phares Z. Stoltzfus, wife, and five children of Ronks R1, Pa., met with an accident Friday evening May 25th, soon after dark. While traveling west on Rt. 741 a car came out of a farm lane just as they were passing by, and ran into the side of the wagon, smashing the one wheel and breaking the windows. Phares Sr. had cuts from the glass that required 100 stitches. He also has a broken finger, and a bruised leg that he's on crutches. He spent three days at the hospital. His wife, Arie, broke her upper jaw at two places, knocked out two teeth, and needed a few stitches on her chin, plus a few bumps and sores. The five boys had only a few scratches and bumps.

#### AMISH AID MEETING

The Amish Aid (Fire and Storm) Insurance meeting was held Saturday p.m. May 19 at Christ Miller's, son of director John P. Miller. It was well attended, from Lancaster County and eight other counties, and also Maryland and Delaware.

Printed sheets of Guide Lines were distributed to each director. Among various other things discussed it was decided to pay some of the major expenses of the trustees.

Among the bills paid out last year was \$5000 flood damage for a certain house. The damage was considerably greater than expected, and it was decided to rebuild. It was only insured for the amount paid.

Parts of an old policy were read, stating, this company had been started in 1877, and was called the Amish Insurance Company until about 1920, when it had to be chartered. It definitely was not an Insurance company in that sense of the word, nor did the Amish want it called that. So it was called the Amish Aid Society, or Helping Hand. In 1901 lightning damage was added, and in 1914, storm damage. The directors were asked to again collect \$1.00 per \$1000 assessment.

### 95-YEAR-OLD MAN INJURED HIP

Deacon David Miller, of Reno, Kansas, fell in the bathroom and hurt his hip. Was laid up for several weeks but is getting around again with a walker or cane. He celebrated his 95th birthday, March 15, and still reads without glasses.

### MARRIAGES

#### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Slabaugh, Zook — Homer, son of Joseph and Emma (Yoder) Slabaugh, Grantsville, Md., and Rhoda, dau. of Elmer Zooks of Oakland, Md., by Bishop Norman Schrock, May 10.

#### Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Hershberger, Schlabach — Joseph, son of Henry and Lydia (Byler) Hershberger, and Sarah, daughter of Ervin and Barbara (Miller) Schlabach, May 3.

Byler, Miller — Loren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon M. Byler of Mercer Co., Pa., and Sarah, daughter of Emery and Ella (Coblentz) Miller, Smicksburg, May 17.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Detweiler — William, son of Pre. Ervin W. and Jemoma C. (Miller) Byler, and Nancy, daughter of Andy R. and Mattie T. Yoder (Detweiler), April 17.

Miller, Miller — Noah, son of Clarence V. and Nannie N. (Gingerich) Miller, and Rebecca, daughter of Ervin J. and Edna A. (Mast) Miller, April 17.

Detweiler, Miller — Robert, son of Bill Detweilers, and Edna, daughter of Eli J. and Clara (Yoder) Miller, by Bishop Homer Yoder, May 24.

Miller, Byler — Robert, son of Henry A. and Emma A. (Miller) Miller, and Dorothy, daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Byler, May 24.

Byler, Miller — Ervin, son of Mrs. Dorothy Byler, and Martha, daughter of Josiah and Anna Mary (Miller) Miller, May 30.

#### Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

Stutzman, Troyer — Levi, son of Henry L. and Clara (Burkholder) Stutzman, and Betty, daughter of John E. and Edna (Kline) Troyer, by Bishop David E. Yoder, May 10.

Hochstetler, Yoder — Levi, son of Abe and Nettie (Hochstetler) Hochstetler, of St. Mary's Ontario, and Emma, daughter of Abe J. and Barbara (Miller) Yoder, Apple Creek R1. They intend to live in Canada.

Troyer, Weaver — Dan, son of Crist R. and Emma (Miller) Troyer, Apple Creek R2, and Fannie, dau. of Mrs. Edna H. (Miller) and the late Eli F. Weaver, Dalton R2.

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Byler, Kauffman — Dan, son of Freeman Bylers, and Betty, daughter of Mel Kauffmans, by Bishop Simon M. Yoder, May 31.

#### Aylmer, Ontario, Canada

Miller, Wagler — Dan, son of Solomon and Sarah Miller, and Sarah, daughter of Abner and Katie Wagler, May 15.

#### New Haven, Indiana

Schwartz, Eicher — Jacob, son of Samuel and Emma (Hochstetler) Schwartz, of Ashley, and Kathryn, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Miller) Eicher, Grabill, by Bishop Emanuel Shrock of Ashland, Ohio, May 3.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Zook — Peter W., son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schwartz, of Seymore, Mo., and Miriam J., dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zook, Monroe R1, May 3.

Schwartz, Schwartz — Ernest K., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan D. Schwartz, Berne R2, and Elizabeth T., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ M. Schwartz, Berne R2, May 24.

#### Elkhart and LaGrange Counties, Indiana

Schrock, Miller — Clarence, son of William J. and Mary (Weaver) Schrock, Middlebury R3, and Ruby Eileen, daughter of Min. Lloyd J. and Katie (Miller) Miller, Middlebury R1, May 3.

Chupp, Christner — Olen Jay, son of John and Edna (Hochstetler) Chupp, Goshen R1, and Sharon Christner, Shelbyville, Illinois, May 10, at the home of the groom's parents.

Miller, Yoder — Freeman, son of Ernest N. and Elizabeth (Hochstetler) Miller, Topeka R2, and Anna Marie, daughter of Monroe J. and Katie (Yoder) Yoder, Middlebury R1, May 17.

Miller, Lambright — Lloyd, son of Ervin C. and Sarah (Bontrager) Miller, and Ruth, daughter of the late Harvey and Clara (Miller) Lambright, in May.

Mast, Yoder — Ervin Jay, son of Ed and Elizabeth (Eash) Mast, and Ida Mae, daughter of William and Lovina (Helmuth) Yoder, May 17.

Graber, Petersheim — Marvin, son of Daniel and the late Katie Ann (Miller) Graber, and Ruby, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Schrock) Petersheim, May 17.

Borkholder, Miller — Levi, son of Tobe and Anna (Bontrager) Borkholder, of Nappanee, and Katie, daughter of Eli and Edna (Lehman) Miller, of Mt. Perry, Ohio, wedding at bride's aunt, Ray Millers' at LaGrange, Indiana in April.

Lambright, Barkman — Clayton, son of Harley T. and Esther (Miller) Lambright, and Louise Barkman, daughter of Miriam (Shetler) (Barkman) Bontrager and the late Peter Barkman, May 29, by Bishop Daniel J. Bontrager.

Borkholder, Yoder — Samuel, son of the late Andrew and Mary (Hershberger) Borkholder, and Esther, daughter of Andrew and Elva (Miller) Yoder, May 24.

Yoder, Bontrager — Ray, son of Noah Yoders of Oklahoma, and Mary Alice, daughter of Dan B. and Wilma (Wingard) Bontrager.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Knepp, Lengacher — Ira, son of Enos Knepp, and Sarah Mae, daughter of Henry Lengachers, by Bishop Joe L. Grabers, March 11.

Wagler, Knepp — Floyd Wagler and Rosemary Knepp, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp, April 8.

Wagler, Miller — Willis, son of Pre. Harry Waglers and Mary Esther, daughter of Eli Millers of Pa., by Bishop Levi Graber, May 24.



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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Sarasota Co., Sarasota, Fla., by Mose B. Miller

We have very dry weather, only  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. rainfall since May 1st. Yards that are not irrigated are brown and need no mowing. The official rain season starts June 1st. But some years the every day shower pattern does not start till July or August. Sweet corn and melons are being harvested now on the higher ground. Muck land is not in operation this time of year. Other vegetables on markets are mangoes, and papayas which is a melon on a tree. Still fresh tomatoes and strawberries around, but not many citrus fruits on trees anymore. In the everglade swamps west of Miami there is much brush fire on account of dryness. They have a 11,000 acre blaze in Big Cypress, while further north of here they have had tornadoes and much rain. Florida leads the states in production of honey. The citrus bloom season is February. Most fruit is about third grown now, and will ripen about November and later. Our temperature now is about 70 to 75 at night and a nice breeze, 95 to 98 in daytime and always a little breeze. This will be every day till about middle of October. Right now wind is from south southwest at 10 M.P.H. The weatherman said 20% chance of rain. I am open for questions and requests.

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

May was continuously cool till the last week, with a low of 39 degrees on the 18th and a high in upper 70s the last several days. The month was wet, total rainfall was 4.1 inches, not too much rain but many days very cloudy and drizzly. May was hard on the purple martins, a number were found dead, believed to have starved during the prolonged cool wet weather. Barley is within a week of being ready to cut. Winter oats and wheat are well headed. Spring oats are about two weeks behind. Average size for corn is 4 to 6 inches, with some still to plant. Alfalfa is ready to cut, but have very poor drying weather.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

May left us about 6 inches rain, the last full week being almost continually damp and drizzly. Ascension Day, 31st, was very nice. The three days before were warm and humid, with thunderstorms bypassing us. Quite a bit of hay had a week of rain on it after being cut.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 4 inches.

Market Report: Prime Fat Cattle topped \$49.25 again this month; Veal, \$63 to 81.50 Cwt.; Feeder Calves, \$63 to \$73 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$37 to \$41 Cwt.; 40 lb. Shoats, .80 lb.; Dairy Cattle at New Holland, \$400 to \$900; Fowl Price, light, .16 $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., heavy, .11 to .36 lb.; Pullets, .35 to .39 lb.; Large Eggs, .53 doz.; Hay, \$35 to \$75 Ton; Straw, \$30 to \$40 Ton; Ear Corn, \$50 to \$63 Ton, 2.50 Bu.; Wheat, 2.30 Bu.; Oats, 1.25 Bu.; Barley, 1.50 Bu.

by Elam S. Beiler

Most of the corn is planted now, was planted early in the month, but some was in the ground over two weeks before it came through, looks like a good stand. Wheat seems to be slower and shorter than usual, is in heads now but not blooming yet. Rye was baled and put in latter part of month as was too rainy earlier. Very little tobacco planted yet. No strawberries yet. Some alfalfa is mowed but not very much has been put in yet. New spring sowed alfalfa looks good. Still some plowing to be done, and everything seems to be a little later than usual this spring due to wet and cool weather.

by Ammon F. Fisher

May was wet and cool, a few days with 80 degree temperature. The 5th was windy all day with 40 to 50 degree temperature. The 31st had a chilly breeze all day. Total rainfall for the month was 5.8 inches.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

A wet cool May which brought us a total of 8 in. of rain. Still some corn to be planted, with a number of neighbors (tractor farmers) who didn't even start planting yet. Farmers are anxious to start haymaking but so far not much chance to get good hay without rain. Due to cool weather tobacco plants which were covered with muslin only are still small for the time of the year. Cribs full of ear corn are very rare which don't have some mold in. Steers and dairy cows can utilize some moldy corn, but pigs, chickens, and horses just can't take very much as it will make them sick. Twenty years ago a nice one hundred acre farm in this area would only bring about the same amount of money as a carload of soybean meal now costs.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

According to the Gettysburg Times weather records, May was the chilliest May in five years. There were only three days in May with temperature readings in the 80s while the mercury dipped into the 30s on five days, when rural sections had freezing temperatures. There were 16 rainy days, with a total rainfall of 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Strawberries are ripe, some varieties are producing better than others. It looks like the cold and wet weather was hard on them. First planted corn and sudex is up and growing. There is still a lot of corn land to be plowed and planted. Some farmers plowed and planted even though it was on the wet side. Farmers that have alfalfa are trying to make hay. Timothy is coming into heads. Oat fields look nice. Wheat is in bloom, and barley is yellow.

### Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

Lots of rain and cold weather in May, several heavy frosts. Farmers had some difficulty getting their corn planted. Still some low spots that are not yet fit to plow. Hay crops are looking good. Farmers are beginning to mow alfalfa. Some of the grain is a little on the poor side due to wet weather and freezing out in the winter.

### Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

May started in on the cool side with a little snow and sleet on the 1st, frost on the 16th. Some tomato plants were frozen in low places. Corn planting was delayed due to wet weather, but it is mostly done now in this area. A lot was done the last few days. Haymaking has started with hopes for clearer skies. Overall, May was wet and cool.

### Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

May was wet, cool, and cloudy. Total rainfall for the month was 6 inches, which is 2.5 inches above normal. It was scattered out so we had rain, or mist, about three days out of every four. We have had no real warm days, but many days without any sunshine. Had a hard frost the 19th, hadn't had any for about a month before that. Not much damage done to the fruit farms, which are mostly on higher ground, but the gardens that were not covered really had to take it. Much corn remains to be planted in June, probably 60% of it. Farmers that have sod to plow for corn are stuck with it as it has a thick two-foot stand of grass on it now. Hay and straw will be very plentiful this year if we get drying weather in July to put it away. But feed grains will remain scarce and high-priced for another year.

### Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

May seems to have been somewhat cool and wet. On our hill we had over 4½ inches of rain, well scattered over the month, only one rain had as much as one inch. It was mostly on the cool side, but the week of the 13th was quite cold on our hill. We had 33 degrees twice and once 29 degrees. Some tender things were nipped, but in the low places many things froze, like grapes and some trees as well as vegetables. Lots of corn to plant yet, and it's almost June. Hay looks very nice.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

May was a cool and rainy month with approximately 4.5 inches of rain, and a few days that we had snow flurries but none stayed on the ground. There were 10 partly cloudy days, 6 cloudy days without rain, 9 cloudy days with rain, and 5 all sunny days. Was cool, damp, and foggy over Memorial Day, the 28th, and also rainy. But has been warmer the last three days. Oats is all sowed, or mostly so, and some corn has been planted between rainy days. Some garden is planted. Strawberries are blooming and some look like bumper crops, if we get enough sunshine, while others were frozen by late frosts. Our first peas are blooming now, but just started since the last few days of warm weather.

### Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had a very unusual May, very damp and wet. It seemed if the farmers wanted to get any field work done they had to go out before it was quite fit, as almost every time when it was about dry it rained again. We had several cold snaps with snow flurries. There was still a lot of corn to plant at the close of the month, also here and there some plowing to do. Most of the hay fields look promising and oats are looking real nice. Feed prices are at an all time high, with soybean meal reportedly at \$400 per ton. Good corn is very scarce in this section this spring.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

The month of May was cool, cloudy, and showery, really wasn't very warm yet, many thundershowers. Rainbows were seen at three different times. Light frosts May 16, 17, and 19, doing no serious damage, lowest temperature, 30 degrees, 4 inches of rainfall, only 9 days with no rainfall. Corn is growing but looks yellow due to cool wet weather. Still some plowing to be done in low places.

### Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The weather for the month of May was wet and cool. It rained 24 days of 31. A lot of early planted corn had to be replanted as it rotted in the ground. Some oats has turned yellow. Hay and fall crops look really good. The old saying is, "A cool wet May, barn full of hay."

### New Wilmington, Pa., by Mrs. Mose C. Byler

We had very wet and cool weather, but it dried off remarkably quick between rains. Farmers got their oats sowed but lots of corn is not planted yet. Grape vines look poor. Gardens were slow but the last days in May seem warmer, and things are showing more growth.

### Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

May was wet and cool, very little sunshine. There is some corn planted but a lot more to plant, also some oats to sow yet. Hay, barley, and wheat look good.

### Crawford County, Pa., by Mrs. Menno E. Fisher

We had an unusually wet and cloudy May, more rainy days than sunshiny ones, many little showers. It was mostly cool the beginning of the month, then warmed up the latter half. Cows are on pasture, grass is lush. Few farmers have all their oats sowed or corn planted, some have plowing to do yet. Fields and gardens are getting wdeddy. Garden things will likely be a little later than usual. Peas are in bud.

### Warren County, Pa., by Joe A. Byler

May was rather wet. Some farmers are still trying to sow oats, not too much corn planted yet. Potatoes are expensive, seed potatoes as high as \$9.00 per hundred. Strawberries are in blossom. Hay should be a good crop if not too wet to get. Early oats look nice.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

May had a good bit of rain, but not much at a time, only a few real sunshiny days. A little west of us there were some tornadoes that bypassed us. There were only a few days that we did not have a little shower of rain. We also had a number of frosts the forepart of May. The farmers are not all done planting corn yet, and there is still some plowing to do. Gardens and truck patches are not all planted yet. Hay seems plentiful and sells at \$28 a ton delivered. Corn, from \$35 to \$40 a ton. Average temperature for May was 49 degrees.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather for May was very rainy and foggy, had a few very nice and breezy, sunshiny days. The last part of the month it rained just about every day. Everything looks nice and green, pastures and hay fields have a good chance. Lots of gardens not yet planted, and still lots of corn to plant, due to wet weather. Strawberries look promising. A tornado went through our district on May 10th, which did quite a bit of damage at some places. It was within three miles of our place, but we had nothing of it.

by Jonas N. Borntrager

Lots of moisture. Wheat, oats, and grass look real good. Some corn is up, while some is not yet planted, and some is yet to husk from last year. The farmers are ready to mow hay when the weather looks favorable. Rain averaged more than every other day for the month of May. Had some windy weather, but no storm in our neighborhood. Some storm was reported around Saltilo and Becks Mills.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

Wet and cool weather prevailed during May. Most of the corn is planted though. Our promising alfalfa seedings of last summer seem to have partly disappeared, but the rains have helped our hay fields to quite an extent.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of May we had wet and cool weather. Still some plowing to be done, and corn to plant. Hay fields look good, oats is coming nicely, and wheat is about ready to head out. Some early planted corn is coming up. Strawberries seem to be a promising crop, but cherries in our section were either too wet or hit by frost. Cattle, hogs, milk, and feed prices remain at an all time high.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

Only a few days in May that it didn't rain. Some corn to be planted yet. A few farmers have mowed some hay. The weather pattern is very similar to last year. Had some tornadoes not far off, but not in our immediate area.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

May was rather wet and cool, rained more days than not, but had a few real nice days. Had a lot of tornado weather through here. There was one about six miles northwest of here that did quite a bit of damage, but we hardly found anything out of it, hardly had any wind, was just dark and cloudy.

Cattaraugus Co., N.Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

May was wet and cool with quite a few frosts and some snow. Farmers could not get into fields to finish sowing oats, still quite a bit to sow, not much corn planted yet, all due to so much moisture.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had wet and cool weather all through May. Had a hard rain and hail the 30th. Lots of gardens to be planted, also corn.

by John H. Hershberger

The weather for May was unusual, the forepart was cold and windy, on the 4th it snowed all forenoon, and from then on it was rain rain for 19 or 20 days with a few days skipped in between. Measurable rainfall was way above average. The average temperature was 47 degrees with scattered frosts a few times. Farm work is way behind and much corn to be planted yet, some oats not sown yet. Gardens are not all planted yet, and some not even plowed. Pastures were very slow but have made tremendous growth lately. Alfalfa is also slow due to excessive moisture. County agents are advising planting substitutes.

Mesopotamia, Ohio, by Eli D. Miller

The weather was unusually wet. Not much corn or oats are planted yet.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The weather of May was very disappointing for farmers in this area. The first half included snow, sleet, strong cold winds, with temperatures often in the low twenties, and killing frosts almost daily for one week. The leaves of many different trees were frozen off completely, and haven't recovered as yet. Here and there, surprisingly, some fruit went unharmed. The last half of May was warmer and had considerable much rain, barely one day of sunshine. Fields look green with weeds. Only hay, thus far, looks promising, and that had been frozen off many times. It looks like much of the corn will have to be planted in June this year, if at all. The high prices of grain mean little to the farmers in this area. Last year's crop had to be moved last fall on account of the mold, and this year, no promises. If all areas are hit there might be a great scarcity of foods by winter.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

Cloudy, and we had showers the first few days. The 5th was a warm sunshiny day, but the next week was again cloudy and had showers at times. Cleared, and dried off enough that women worked in gardens, and men didn't have too much trouble getting corn planted. Had a few warm sunshiny days and again a drizzly rain on Sunday, May 27. Things are growing nicely. Strawberries look promising in spite of the hard frost on the 17th and a lighter one on the 18th, however, the earlier varieties are frozen, at least some. Presently we had some all day showers, and things are well soaked. Ascension Day morning the sun was out nice and warm, and was a beautiful morning.



Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

May started in with rain. Some corn was planted the first week in May. Had a frost May 5th. Lettuce and asparagus are on the menu. Rainy and cool the second week, then rain on the 14th turning to snow, ground was nicely covered, sunny in the evening. Sunny and cool for the rest of the week. On the 20th was nice enough to cook on the grill. Rest of the week rain about every other day. Strawberries blooming nicely. Corn looks good that was planted first of the month. May 28th had several tornadoes, with no serious damage. Approximately 6½ inches rainfall during May.

Stuben County, Ind., by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

April was cold and wet, 10th and 12th temperature was 28 degrees, and had a real snowstorm during the night, every twig and branch glittered in the sun. By evening of the 15th all was gone, also had high cold winds. Some plowing done, and oats about all sown in April and first week in May. Some early gardens planted. Had 17 cloudy days, rest were partly cloudy, or sunny but cold. May was also very wet and cold. Some corn is planted, very little field work done the last two weeks in May. May 14th had a hard frost, 30 degrees, sun did not come out bright, and soon rained, so frost was all washed off before the sun came out warm in the p.m. On 16th and 18th temperature was 28 degrees and hard frosts both mornings. Some strawberries were frozen. Had quite a few thunder showers in May. On the 25th a twister was noticed about three miles from us, one half mile south of Route 4, it was a white cloud. Only did damage to one farm, and tore a chimney off a house in its path, tail lifted again and passed on east. The farm that was struck was where David Yoders lived before they moved to Missouri. The garage was lifted and set in the orchard, an apple tree tore out and set beside the hole, quite a lot damage to the house, windows broken. Tornado warning and fire truck were out Sunday Evening watching the clouds, a funnel was spotted north of Augola, Indiana. Have not heard of any damage. Garden things are growing slowly, due to not many warm days.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

Had lots of cool and rainy weather. Also several frosts in one week, which damaged some of the fruits. A tornado a few miles south of us lifted water up from a pond thirty feet high. Several funnels were close by since. Corn is still not all planted on account of rain.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

During the month of May there were 16 rainy days, but it really didn't rain very much, in fact, the total for the month was only 2.91 inches. However, there was a preponderance of cloudy and cool weather, which kept the ground damp for most of the month. Statistics for the month read: High, 77 on the 9th; low, 30 on the 17th; rainfall, 2.91 inches; snow, none; 5 clear days, 19 partly cloudy, 7 cloudy, 16 rainy days, and 4 thunderstorms occurred.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

Many many acres of ground was plowed, worked up, and planted in the month of May. Occasional showers as needed, a heavy frost on the 17th, and a light one on the 18th. Feared half of field tomato plants were damaged. We must have had our March winds in May, also foggy and damp at times. Gardens are growing nicely, but are later than usual.

Daviess County, Indiana, by Lester Marner

March had 7.73 inches of rain, April, 5.56, May was also wet. Farming is very late. Wheat is short, but hay has a good growth. Corn is 2.13 Bu., Hogs, 3.50.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather was more fair the first two weeks in May, with a lot of corn being planted, although a few with extra wet ground are still waiting. Had more showers again the last two weeks, although natives have managed to plant some tobacco, and Amish are planting peppers. This is a new experience for our community, which time will tell the results. Barley is ready to combine, and some beans have been planted.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The first five days were rather damp and rainy, about 1½ inches of rain. About the 8th field work started and much corn was planted in a few days. Think this is the first time I remember of corn from last year being in the field until May. There was a patch of several acres that couldn't be harvested earlier. Corn planting is pretty well underway. The night of the 26th it started raining and by noon the 28th we had about 2 inches of rain, which was badly needed as much of ground was ploughed a little wet and much windy weather dried it out pretty hard.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

The report of the weather is much the same as at other places, with more than plenty rain, until two weeks ago. So crops were late to be planted, but in the last ten days farmers finished sowing oats, and a lot of corn was planted, but there is still a lot to be planted, and some plowing to do yet. It looks like hay should be a good crop, and pastures are good, with lots of cattle grazing on it. We had another 5/8 inch rain the 26th. It looks like there will be lots of beans planted this year, to take advantage of the extremely high prices. But we never know what or how it will be by harvest time next fall. All their high prices could take a terrible fall in a short time, and put some young farmers in quite a tight spot. So I think it would be advisable to go a little easy.

Milton, Iowa, by Fred J. Yoder

The first day of May brought 4½ inches of rain, was nice till the 6th, then we had 3 days of rain again. Field work started again the 11th, and the oats sowing was finished. Lot of plowing was done till the 24th, and some corn planted, and is up. From the 24th to 27th we had 5 inches rain. Weather is still unsettled. Our hay crop looks good. We haven't had very many warm days.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

May was a cool and wet month, had several frosts around the middle of the month, two last days of the month were nice and summer like. There's a lot of ground to work yet, mostly for beans, amongst the tractor farmers.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

We had approximately 10 inches rain in May, but had drying weather from the 8th to 25th, in which much plowing, and planting of corn and beans was done. The 3 inches of rain since the 25th has halted field work again, planting is yet quite a ways from finished. The alfalfa weevil has found its way to Missouri this year, as most fields are infested in this area. Strawberries are beginning to ripen, and look to be a good crop.

Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

Weather for May was about normal, with light rains. Lots of field work was done, corn is mostly planted, but still some to plant. The wheat, oats, hay, and pasture are looking good and growing nicely. The stock market is high and the feed prices are also rising.

Webster County, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

Weather remains cool and wet. Had about two weeks nice weather around middle of month, which allowed farmers to get most of the crops in the ground, also get a good start at hay making. Has been slow again the last week. May is a light crop most places, considering what I thought was ideal growing weather. Wheat is beginning to change color, and oats is about heading out.

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

The first part of May was favorable for farmers to do field work. The whole month was cool, with the last half being wetter than average. Most of the first cutting hay is made which was a very good crop. Next crop is slow in starting because of some worms. Several spots were hit pretty hard by hail, a few farmers lost most of their barley and wheat crop. Most of the wheat looks good.

New Glarus, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Jonas Hershberger

May was cool and had quite a bit of rain, had frost the 15th and 16th. Much corn to plant yet, as low places are too wet. Hay and pasture look promising. May 29th is cloudy, temperature is 48 degrees.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

Very wet first part of May. Some oats sown last part of April, but a lot to sow yet. Had frost a few mornings middle of May. Nice and sunny from the 14th to 20th. Men finished oats and some planted corn. More rainy weather from 20th to 25th, but turned nice again last part of May. A lot of corn to plant yet. Hay looks very good. June 1st, a nice clear morning.

Tavistock, Ontario, Canada, by Emanuel Peachey

May started in with cloudy and rainy weather. We had snow flurries the 4th, on the morning of the 18th it was frosty, but still had many nice sunny days to work in the fields over that time. Early sown oats are growing well. Many farmers are not finished planting yet on account of wet weather.

Millbank, Ontario, Canada, by Israel Kuepfer

Weather for May was cool and wet in the beginning. During the week of the 21st there was a lot of seedling done, rained again end of week. Had a real hard frost during week of 14th, some strawberry blossoms are black in center. Some people have corn planted, but still a lot to be planted. Early gardens are growing nicely, but slowly, is still wet.

Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada, by Mrs. Joni Miller

The weather during May was mostly cool, and had plenty of rain. Cows are on pasture. Everything is nice and green. Fruit trees and strawberries in bloom, gardens up nice. Farmers got their oats sown, and most of them have their corn planted.

Oxford Co., Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

May was very cool and rainy, with several frosts at the time of full moon on the 17th. However, frost damage was minimal, affecting only a small number of strawberry blossoms. Farmers were able to get only a day or so of field work done at a time, until the weather cleared during the week of the 20th, then most of the oats was seeded and much of the corn was planted. As of the last of the month, it is damp and rainy, with some late corn to be planted yet. Fruit trees and strawberries blossomed profusely. Cattle are now out on lush pasture. Very few children ventured outside barefooted yet.

Aylmer, Ontario, Canada, by LeRoy Eicher

We seem to be having rainy season, approximately 4 inches rain in May. Some farmers aren't finished planting corn yet, because of the rain.

## WROXETER, ONT. MAN ON KIDNEY MACHINE

Alvin A. Yoder, 43, of Clifford, Ontario, has been going to London on a kidney machine twice a week for months already. Is now staying in London to learn so he can get a kidney machine at his home. Has to stay there for nine weeks, but comes home weekends. He lost his wife in February 1973, has a family of ten children, three are married.

NOTICE!! We had a "Senior Sunshine" page in the June issues of THE DIARY the last three years, listing our older members who are 80 years old and older. We would like to bring this list up to date in the June 1973 issue. Please send us any corrections and additions to last year's list. Anyone please feel free to send them to us.

## ORDINATIONS

## Geauga County, Ohio

Crist J. C. Yoder, 38, was ordained minister in Clark East District. He is a son of John C. Yoders. His wife is Fannie, daughter of Mrs. Simon Troyer. John J. C. Yoder, Jr., 34, was ordained minister in Clark West District. He is a son of John C. Yoders. His wife is a daughter of Mrs. David Schlabach.

The two ordained men are brothers and close neighbors. This church was divided last fall. One was ordained on May 1, and the other on May 2. There were six in the lot in each district.

Hurrey Kempf was ordained minister on May 12.

## Mesopotamia, Ohio

Dan C. Byler, 41, was ordained minister in John N. B. Detweiler district on May 6.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Leroy E. Hostetler, 25, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio was ordained minister on May 13, in the Andy M. Miller District. He is the son of Eli E. Hostetler. His wife is the daughter of Widower Jacob E. Hershberger.

Jonas D. Yoder was ordained minister in Eli E. Hershberger West District.

Aden R. Miller was ordained Bishop in Dan Stutzman West District.

Perry M. Miller, 47, was ordained Deacon in Abe A. Yoder district on May 11. His wife is Sarah, daughter of Mrs. Mose H. Hershberger.

Henry E. Hershberger, 23, was ordained minister in East Barrs Mills District. His wife is Beulah, daughter of Orris C. and Susan Troyer. They have one daughter.

## Wayne County, Ohio

John Miller, Jr., 45, was ordained Deacon in Jacob Troyer West District on May 6. His wife is Anna, daughter of the late Adam Millers.

Levi E. Miller, Star Route, Millersburg, Ohio, was ordained minister on May 1. He is a son of Eli J. P. Millers.

David R. Yoder, Orrville R2, Ohio, was ordained minister on May 5. He is a son of Bishop Roman and Mary (Gingerich) Yoder.

Eli B. Weaver, Beach City R1, Ohio was ordained minister on May 9.

Daniel A. M. Troyer, Apple Creek R1, Ohio, was ordained minister on May 13. He is a son of Andy M. Troyer.

Ammon J. D. Miller, Danville, Ohio, was ordained Bishop on May 22.

## Conewango, New York

Menno E. Miller, 49, was ordained bishop in North District, May 13. He is a son of the late Bishop Eli J. Miller.

## Aylmer, Ontario

Jacob Eicher was ordained bishop on May 11.

## Adams County, Indiana

Elmer A. Hilty, 40, Monroe R1, Ind., was ordained deacon in the Middle West District, May 5. With him in the lot were Elmer D. Schwartz and Andy Shetler. He is married to the former Lydia Graber.

## DeKalb County, Indiana

Menno Graber, 25, was ordained minister in John Graber North District. He is a son of Pres. Levi and Edith Graber. His wife is Mary Lou, daughter of Joseph and Mary Eicher.

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Perry Miller, 30, Topeka, R2, Indiana, was ordained minister in North Clearspring District on April 22. He is a son of Ammon H. Miller. His wife is Alice, daughter of the late Tobias and Mattie Hochstedler.

Albert Yoder, 36, Topeka R2, Ind., was ordained minister in the Daniel A. Miller, South Honeyville District, May 6. He is a son of Willis D. and Susie Yoder, and is married to Rosa, daughter of Ervin and the late Elizabeth (Lambright) Eash.

Floyd Bontrager, 42, Topeka R1, Ind., was ordained minister in the Daniel A. Miller, North District, May 6. He is a son of Mahlon and Rosa (Lambright) Bontrager, and is married to Wilma, daughter of Chris L. and Alma (Eash) Miller. They have one child, by adoption.

Leonard Miller, 40, Shipshewana R2, Ind., was ordained minister in Clemence Miller's NW Barrens District, May 6. He is a son of Bishop Henry N. and Molly (Bontrager) Miller, and is married to Ruby, daughter of Bishop Jerry and Iva (Smucker) Slabaugh of Nappanee, Ind. They have eight children.

Harley Lambright, 41, Topeka R1, Ind., was ordained minister in David J. Bontrager's S.E. Yoder District, May 6. He is a son of Tobias and Lizzie (Troyer) Lambright, and is married to Esther, daughter of the late Andrew and Lydia Miller. They have nine children.

Lester Hochstedler, 35, was ordained minister in Daniel Bontrager's N. Clearspring District, May 12. He is a son of Chris C. and Saloma (Christner) Hochstedler, and is married to Clara, daughter of Ervin and Lizzie (Yoder) Miller.

## Daviess County, Indiana

Raymond N. Graber, 29, was ordained minister in Southeast District, May 6.

## Johnson County, Iowa

Jonas J. Beachy, 69, was ordained bishop in the South East (Enos Swartzendruber) District, April 30. He was ordained a minister in 1943.

## Jamesport, Missouri

Vernon J. Troyer, 36, was ordained minister in East District, May 9. He is a son of Jonas M. Troyers of Jamesport. His wife, Mary, is a daughter of Dea. Dan E. Hershbergers of Stuarts Draft, Va.



## BAPTISMS

Daviess County, Indiana

N. W. District, April 1

by Bishop Levi Graber

Katherine, daughter of Amos R. Grabers

Mary Esther, daughter of Eli Millers - Pa.

M. W. District, April 8

by Fred W. Knepp

Verlin, son of Joe Stolls

Glenn, son of Bishop Fred W. Knepps

Laverne, son of Albert Knepp

## COMMUNITY NOTES

Guthrie, Kentucky - Paul, 15-year-old son of Lester Bylers is a patient in a Lexington hospital. His kidneys are about gone, and he lost a lot of blood. He has to have a transplant, or depend on a kidney machine. He was low at last reports.

Wayne County, Ohio - John J. W. Miller, 29, had a mishap on April 26 with a spike tooth harrow. While making a turn the horses became unruly and the harrow upset. One of the horses was badly hurt by one of the spike teeth, and John had a hole in his cheek that required stitches, and other bruises.

Lancaster Co., Pa. - Mrs. Eli K. (Sadie) Beiler, of Rockvale Rd., Lancaster, Pa., spent two days in the hospital because of sores and bruises she received when leading a horse for her husband while cultivating the garden. The horse became unruly and knocked Sadie over. She came home from the hospital June 1st.

Lancaster Co., Pa. - Ammon, aged 7, son of Bishop Amos G. and Katie Esh, of Gordonville R1, Pa., spent some time at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., for an operation to straighten his legs. Lizzie, aged 9, daughter of John E. and Annie Fisher, of Ronks R1, Pa., was also a patient at the same hospital for a similar operation.

## AMISH MAP COMMITTEE REPORT

In June of 1965 a group of Amish ministers and lay members met to discuss the feasibility of making a map and directory of the Lancaster County Amish church districts. By Christmas of the same year it was on the market and well accepted.

By January 1973 it was outdated and no longer available. It was requested that again a committee be formed, and attempts be made to publish a new map and directory. In this time there were nine districts divided, and over six hundred couples were married. As of now, June 1973, most of the directory material is at the printer's, and arrangements have been made for getting a map printed. More than fifty interested persons have assisted in compiling this information.

Migration: Enos Swareys of Juniata, Pa. moved to Tavistock, Ontario, May 30, 1973.

## Ein Bauernlied.

Wir pflügen und wir streuen  
Den Samen auf das Land;  
Doch Wachstum und Gedeihen  
Steht nicht in unsrer Hand.

Der Himmel thut mit Regen  
Sich mild und heimlich auf,  
Und tränkt, wenn wir heimgehen  
Wuchs und Gedeihen drauf.

Der sendet Thau und Regen  
Und Sonn- und Mondenschein;  
Der wickelt Gottes Segen  
Gar zart und künftlich ein

Und bringt ihn dann behende  
In unser Feld und Brod;  
Es geht durch seine Hände,  
Kömmt aber her von Gott

Was nah ist und was ferne,  
Von Gott kömmt Alles her!  
Der Strohhalbm und die Sterne,  
Der Sperling und das Meer.

Von Ihm sind Büsch' und Blätter,  
Und Korn und Obst von Ihm;  
Von Ihm mild Frühlingswetter  
Und Schnee und Angestüm.

Er, Er macht Sonn' aufgehen,  
Er stellt des Mondes Lauf;  
Er läßt die Wunde wehen  
Er thut den Himmel auf

Er schenkt uns Vieh und Freude,  
Er macht uns fröhlich und roth;  
Er gibt den arben Wunde  
Und äußern Kindern Brod

Und frommlein und Vertrauen  
Und stiller edler Sinn,  
Ihm fleh'n und auf Ihn schauen  
Kömmt Alles uns durch Ihn

Er gebet ungelehen  
Im Lande um und wach,  
Und rührt die berglich flehen  
Im Schlafe an bei Nacht.

Darum so woll'n wir loben  
Und loben immerdar,  
Den großen Geber oben,  
Er ist's! und Er ist's gar!

Vom 1872 Pennsylvanischer Calender, John  
Baer's Sohnen, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

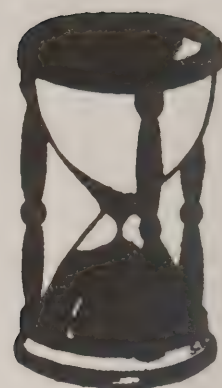
My dear lady if ever  
kind give brief and before  
me when you 16 Jan May  
1855 are the ninth of January

Chapman's new edition of

Remind Sarah that it was  
about 3000 feet above the  
sea at the bottom 1865  
on the North Pacific



# The Hour Glass



Days well spent are drops all sparkling  
In the waters deep and broad,  
Of Eternity's Great Ocean,  
Every drop is held by God.  
Days well spent are Shining Jewels  
Scattered in the peaceful road  
Which to happiness will lead us  
To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim

## A GLIMPSE ON CROPS AND WEATHER

As we look over our April crop and weather reports we notice something more than usual, most of the fifty reporters have lengthened their section compared to previous months, and nearly everyone has something a little extra. All in all these reports describe well the extraordinary and adverse weather conditions of the eastern two thirds of our country for the spring of 1973. The east had more than normal rainfalls but practically no floods. The Lower Mississippi basin had floods to be remembered. The Missouri watersheds had a series of floods, and on top of that heavy snowstorms and blizzards of which we can only imagine the extent of damage, the loss of cattle on the ranches, plus storms and tornados that took their toll where ever they struck. Many places were officially pronounced disaster areas. At the least we will want to extend our sympathy to the individuals who have endured "the blow," those who had the impression to "throw up their hands," and those who have had the "what will come next" or "where do we go from here" experiences. We also know that those who have learned to earn their bread and butter by the sweat of the brow are attached to the soils of the earth and have grown into a superficial state and are not so easily discouraged. They will take a new look to the future and be thankful for the past. Even though we may live in the promised land we are not promised prosperity every year. Let us turn back the pages of time and say, "History is only repeating itself."

### The Great April Snowstorm of 1873

Sure enough, here it is, a near duplicate of exactly one hundred years ago, an article published in the John Baer's Sons Almanac in 1874, also in THE DIARY, February 1969, page 5.

"On Sunday, the 13th, the clouds gathered black and heavy, threatening a severe thunderstorm, but the wind and rain combined in great fury, pouring down upon us about four o'clock in the afternoon, when it became so exceedingly dark that lamps were lighted. The storm continued unabated far into the night. During this time it seemed utterly impossible for anything, a human being or an animal, to stand up. About three o'clock in the morning the rain suddenly changed

to wet fine snow. The snow continued until Wednesday afternoon. In this storm life was almost impossible if exposed in the least, a great destruction of life and property was inevitable. Large fat cattle in sheds and fine horses in their stables all went alike in less than twelve hours. Six wagons of immigrants, whole families of men, women, and children were surely buried alive. Some stockmen lost from one to two hundred head of cattle, some have been found twenty miles from home." And so the story goes on to tell more of that great snowstorm long remembered by its survivors. Written by a correspondent from Grand Island, Nebraska.

As we page through our old German Almanacs we find a clipping entitled, "The Summerless Year of 1816." We have no way of telling where it was published or by whom it was written, but it is another true story of adverse weather that prevailed in Europe and North America. History tells what has happened can happen again.

Seemingly it has always been the farmers' lot to be subject to flood, storm, drought, fire, and insect hazards. Neither his success nor his reward can be measured in a single season, but only by his strength and courage to withstand the unfavorable times, to reap his share in appropriate harvests that accumulate in a lifetime. Editorial, J. B.

### A SUMMERLESS YEAR.

The Remarkable Weather of the United States  
During 1816.

Correspondence of the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Almost every one has heard of the terrible dark year in the early part of the present century. While every one is speaking of the present season as being remarkable in its characteristics I have gathered for your readers some reliable facts of the year 1816 known as the "Year Without a Summer." Few persons now living can recollect it; but it was the coldest ever known throughout Europe and America. The following is a brief extract of the weather during the year:

January was mild—so much so as to render fires almost needless in parlors. December previous was very cold.

February was not very cold; with the exception of a few days it was mild like its predecessor.

March was cold and boisterous during the first part of it; the remainder was mild. A great freshet on the Ohio and Kentucky rivers caused great loss of property.

April began warm, but grew colder as the month advanced, and ended in snow and ice, with a temperature more like winter than spring.

May was more remarkable for frowns than for smiles. Buds and flowers were frozen; ice formed half an inch thick; corn was killed and the fields were again and again planted until deemed too late.

June was the coolest ever known in this latitude. Frost, ice and snow were common. Almost every green thing was killed. Fruit was nearly all destroyed. Snow fell to the depth of ten inches in Maine, and three inches in New York and also in Massachusetts. Considerable damage was done at New Orleans in confluence of the rapid rise in the river; the suburbs were covered with water and the roads were only passable in boats.

July was accompanied with frost and ice. On the 5th ice was formed of the thickness of common window-glass throughout New England, New York, and some parts of Pennsylvania. Indian corn was nearly all destroyed. Some favorably situated fields escaped. This was true of some of the hill farms of Massachusetts.

August was more cheerless, if possible, than the summer month already passed. Ice was formed half an inch thick. Indian corn was so frozen that the greater part of it was cut down and cured for fodder. Almost every green thing was destroyed, both in this country and Europe. Papers received from Europe stated that it would be remembered by the present generation that the year of 1816 was a year in which there was no summer. Very little corn ripened in New England and the Middle States supplied themselves from the corn produced in 1815 for the seed of the spring of 1817. It sold at from \$4 to \$5 per bushel.

September furnished about two weeks of the mildest weather of the season. Soon after the middle it became very cold and frosty and ice formed a quarter of an inch thick.

October produced more than its share of cold weather—frost and ice abundantly.

November was cold and blustery. Enough snow fell to make good sleighing.

December was quite mild and comfortable.

The above is a brief summary of the cold summer of 1816, as it was called to distinguish it from the cold seasons. The winter was mild. Frost and ice were common in every month of the year. Very little vegetation matured in the Eastern and Middle States. The sun's rays seemed to be destitute of heat through the summer; all nature seemed to be clad in sable hue and men were anxious concerning future life. The average price of flour in the Philadelphia market during that year was \$13 per barrel. The average price of wheat in England was ninety-seven shillings per quarter.

## THE DAY NIAGARA FALLS STOPPED

from Read Magazine

At Niagara, 465,000 tons of water go over the falls every minute. In places the water drops the length of a six-story building. The Horseshoe Falls on the Canadian side carries 94 per cent of the water.

One March evening in the year 1848, the farmers near Niagara Falls sensed something strange. At first they didn't know what it was. They looked at the sky. They listened.

The roar of the falls had stopped!

It couldn't be. For endless ages the river had been there. The noise made by tons of water had become a common sound for miles around.

Quickly the people hurried to the falls. They looked down into the river bed. The moonlight shone on dry rocks—with a pool here and there. The river of wild water was gone.

"The world is ending," cried some and rushed off. Others went back to their homes to read their Bibles. The roads to the falls were filled with sightseers.

Morning broke on a strange scene. The sun shone on dry rocks. In the Niagara bed, people walked about. They picked up arrowheads that the Indians had thrown into the falls. They ran their hands over the stones along the sides.

Later in the day, men of the United States Army rode into the river bed. Hoofs sounded on the hard bottom. They rode up the other side—the only horse-men ever known to do this.

Hours passed. The sun began to sink. Still no sign of the lost river. People whispered that the river had been stopped by a higher power. Many folks went to bed frightened.

Deep in the night, Niagara came back. The noise started as a faint sound. It grew into a roar that shook the ground. Farmhouse ceilings cracked. Dishes fell from the shelves. A wall of white water rolled up the river bed. It reached the edge and shot over. It smashed into the bed below. It tossed great stones high in the air. Then it settled down, as if it had never been away. It has never stopped since.

What happened?

Weeks went by before anyone found out. It seems that high winds had blown over Lake Erie the day before. Some of the winds had reached more than 100 miles an hour. These winds broke apart the ice fields covering the lake. Thousands of tons of ice swept down on Buffalo. The ice closed the entrance to the river that feeds Niagara. All day long the ice piled up, shutting off the water. What water was in the river reached the falls and tumbled over. After that—nothing.

Thirty hours later the ice moved. Water came back into its old channel. It headed for the falls, taking trees and rocks as it went. It was like a giant, eager to get home. In a few hours, it leaped the falls and raced on its usual course to Lake Ontario.

Niagara's joke on man was over.



## To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

by Amos L. Fisher

### THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

Continued from last month

The next on the list of the family of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker is John Schmucker Jr., born April 4, 1780 in Berks County, Pennsylvania, and married to Anna, or Nancy, King, born 1785, also in Berks County, a daughter of Johannes King, the son of the emigrant Samuel King. Johannes King with his second wife, Nancy (Renno) (Hostetler) King and their family moved from Berks County to Lancaster County in 1801 on the farm now owned by Jacob Swarey, near Ronks in East Lampeter Township. This very likely was the place that John Schmucker Jr. and Nancy King were married in 1807 or 1808. John Schmucker and his wife, Nancy, had intended to start housekeeping somewhere in the vicinity of Ronks, but after loading their few pieces of furniture and starting on their way the team became unruly and ran off, where in the mishap the newly married John Schmucker was killed. This, of course, being a shock to the young widow, who remained a widow for several years, when she remarried to Daniel Yoder of Mifflin County, who was better known as "Der Gross" Dan Yoder, he being a son of "Der Dick" Christle Yoder and Magdalena Hookey, who was a son of Strong Jacob Yoder of the Conestoga Valley. They then started housekeeping in Mifflin County and were born to them seven children, namely, (1) John D. Yoder, born July 28, 1815, married to Anna Zook, daughter of Solomon Zook, and moved to Logan Co., Ohio; (2) Christian Yoder, born January 9, 1817, married first to Catharine Kauffman, they lived in Mifflin County; (3) Magdalena Yoder, born February 7, 1818, married to Joseph Kauffman, they moved to Champaign, Ohio, he being a Dunkard minister; (4) Barbara Yoder, born September 2, 1820, died 1899, married to John B. Yoder, they moved to Champaign County and Logan County, Ohio; (5) Daniel Yoder Jr., born January 2, 1822, died 1897, married to Sarah Yoder, Daniel Jr. was a Deacon and lived in Mifflin County; (6) Benjamin K. Yoder, born June 2, 1823, married to Lydia Ann Plank, they moved to Logan County, Ohio; (7) Anna Yoder, born December 25, 1825, died 1896, married to Daniel King, son of Jacob and Barbara (Zook) King.

Next on the list of children of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker is Jacob Smucker, born March 2, 1785, died in 1850, and was married to Mary Fisher, a daughter of Christian and Susanna (Souders) Fisher. Not much can be said about Jacob and his wife, Mary, but they at first lived on a farm north of Strasburg, later they moved to the Millcreek section of Lancaster County. According to tradition, Jacob Smucker's wife, Mary, was somewhat lacking in mental ability. They died without children and are both buried in the Myers Cemetery.

Next on the list of children of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker is Peter Schmucker, born September 23, 1786 in Cumru Twp., Berks County,

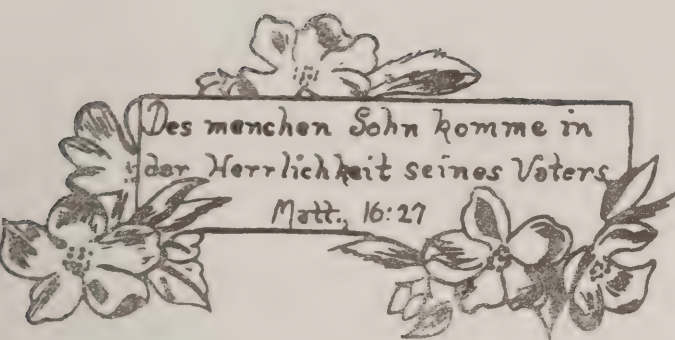
died in 1816, and was married to Veronica, or Fanny, Zook, a daughter of Jacob and Gertrude (Kenegé) Zook, who resided in West Whiteland Twp., Chester County, Pennsylvania. It appears that after his parents moved to Lancaster County Peter and Fanny Schmucker lived on the old Schmucker farm in Cumru Township at the present site of Shillington in Berks County, and had two children, namely, Isaac, and Jacob Schmucker. Isaac Schmucker married and lived on the old Schmucker farm till 1843 when he moved to Ashland County, Ohio, he being a Dunkard preacher. Jacob Schmucker married to Mary Ritter and raised a family of nine children.

Next on the list of children of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker is Joseph Smucker, born March 11, 1788 in Berks County. He was married to Magdalena Zook, a daughter of Jacob and Gertrude (Kenegé) Zook, she being a sister to his brother Peter's wife. Magdalena Zook was first married to Christian Zook Jr., a son of Preacher Christian and Magdalena (Blank) Zug of East Whiteland Township, Chester County. Christian Zook Jr. died April 4, 1804 as a young man, 28 years old. So Joseph Smucker was Magdalena Zook's second husband. They had no children, and also moved to Ashland County, Ohio, where she died September 25, 1867.

The next two children of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker are Daniel, married to Barbara Lapp, and David, married to Mary Lapp, both daughters of John and Mary (Rickenbach) Lapp. An account of these two families appeared in former issues of THE DIARY.

The youngest in the family of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker is Solomon Schmucker, born May 30, 1796, was married to Mary Zook, daughter of Christian and Magdalena (Mast) Zook. They resided on the first farm west of Morgantown, on the north side of Route 23, where the late Henry F. Stoltzfus lived, and later occupied by Deacon Jacob Stoltzfus, now of Southern Lancaster County. Solomon Schmucker died March 5, 1884, and his wife, Mary, died October 20, 1861, both are buried in the Pine Grove Cemetery near Elverson. To them were born six children. The offspring of this family is widely scattered throughout the eastern United States. The children are as follows: (1) John Z. Smucker, born in 1818, and was married to Rebecca Wesley, they lived in Berks Co.; (2) Levi Mast Smucker of Salisbury Twp., married to Catharine Weikert; (3) Joseph S. Smucker, married first to Mary Koffroth, his first cousin, second to Susan Bear, they lived in Philadelphia; (4) David R. Smucker, born 1827 in Caernarvon Twp., married first to Harriet Blands, second to Fanny Loomis, they resided in St. Louis, Missouri; (5) Solomon Smucker Jr., born 1830, married first to Elizabeth Sarah Melick, second to Mary Dett Cookman, they resided at West Logan Square, Philadelphia, he was a very prominent business man serving as principal of a wholesale grocery house of that city; (6) Mary Ann Smucker, born 1833, married to Samuel Cox, and lived in Lancaster.

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his first land grant in now Upper Bern Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania in 1744 in the Hamburg area. His son, Rudolf (sometimes referred to as Rudy), was the successor to his plantation. Rudolf moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, where he lived with his son Christian. He died there in 1797. Both graves are well marked on the old Detweiler homestead just west of Allensville, Pennsylvania.

See "Descendants of Jacob Hostetler," by Rev. Harvey Hostetler.

This John Gerber may have settled in Berks Co., or Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, but a definite placement cannot be made yet.

Hans Sieber.

He seems to be alone on the September 16, 1736 Princess Augusts. He made a joint purchase with Jacob Beiler December 31, 1737, at the heads of the Irish Creek in now Penn Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. His female bearers interweave with prominent families quite frequently.

David Beiler, September 26, 1737, ship St. Andrew.  
Ulrich Sollenberger.

There are at least two David Beilers, one in Ephrata Township in 1752, and one in Cocalico Twp., about the same time. The one may be the son of Jacob, but the other is unaccounted for.

There is a Marie Sollenberger listed in the Northkill almsbook who received money from the church in 1793. She was probably a widow. By this we know that a Sollenberger family belonged to the church. But to suggest a family tie here is a matter of speculation.

John Trachsel

Abraham Farni

Johann Roth

Johann Albrecht

Christian Lichti

These are 1737 lists, a month earlier than Charming Nancy.

These names are typical in Europe. They all settled in the now Berks Co. and Lebanon Co. area.

Henry Richenbacher, September 23, 1740, ship Friendship. See page 72 of the 1972 THE DIARY.

Jacob Stutzman, September 23, 1752, ship Nancy. See Barbara and Christian book by Rev. Harvey Hostetler.

Johanes Rieser (sick)

John Fisher

Christian Umble

John Schlappig

Daniel Kemp

May 30, 1741, ship Snow Francis

The Umbles and the Reesers of Salisbury Twp., Lancaster County, Pennsylvania were associated, and were Amish descendants. They first settled in Berks County, Pennsylvania. If these are their family heads is to be found out yet. Both names appear quite often in Montbeliard regions in France around 1710.

David Beiler, the youngest son of Jacob the immigrant, was married to Nancy Fisher, born in Germany, whose parents migrated to this country so that the son of the family would not have to serve in the German Army.

Sara Paine Hoffman in a 1938 letter to Mrs. Charles Steinmetz suggests her parents were John Fishers.

Jacob Yoder

Johannes Kauffman

Johannes Lap

October 4, 1751, ship Janet

We will not attempt to list these.

Jacob Kauffman

Hans Blank

Christian Schmucker

September 23, 1752, ship St. Andrew

There was more than one Jacob Kauffman in Bern Township, Berks County at this time.

This Hans Blank is most likely the father of Bishop Peter Blank and Bishop John Blank. He settled in Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, and died there in 1796.

Christian Schmucker. See current articles in THE DIARY, by Amos L. Fisher.

Mathias Kemp, August 8, 1764, a prominent name in Bern Township Berks County.

Jacob Esh, October 16, Duke of Wirtenburg.

This Jacob Esh would seem very fitting to be the head of our Esh (Esch) (Eash) clan. He settled in Heidelberg Township, now Lebanon County. There is, however, a difference of opinion as yet.

Michael Lapp, September 22, 1752, ship Brothers. There are plenty Michael Lapps on our books. More should be known about them.

Hans Lantz should have appeared earlier. He is listed for 1738, and settled on the south bank of the Irish Creek up against Skull Hill (Schadelschtedde) near Bernville, Pennsylvania.

This is the end of our present shiplist study. Perhaps many more could be listed, including Nicholas Stoltzfus, 1766. After this date they were more scattered. The western counties had now opened and many settled directly into western localities. Our Northkill colony had now reached a climax. In 1770 there was a breakoff from this colony to Chester Co. and another to the Conestoga Valley about the same time.

Joseph F. Beiler



## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

Continued from Last Month

## Shiplists - Last Series

Our last series of shiplists will contain familiar names as well as some names not so widely known by our old family recorders. There are many more family names that have a hand in organizing our first church or churches (districts) in America.

For more than a century our people had relied on the theory that the first church was settled in the Oley Valley of Berks County. Former studies were taken from limited sources, such as handed down family writings, some family Bible records, as well as some will and deed studies, which were accurate enough if interpreted correctly. Since these studies were singular, with few to approve or reprove, the products reached the press, were published, and accepted. However, these former studies are invaluable to us, they have opened the trail to a more thorough study, and without the former ones we would be in the dark.

The Oley Valley Colony was to consist of Yoders, Kauffmans, Beilers, and others. Probably the strongest segment of this colony was of the Widow Barbara Yoder and her children intermarried to the Christian Beiler Family and others. Widow Barbara was to have come early, before the shiplists existed, so its origin has no exact date. This picture is fading away.

It is true there are records of several Yoder families real early, before any Berks County, Pennsylvania documents were recorded, and they are found in Philadelphia. They may stem from Amish origin of Europe, but traces contributing to our church are few and slim. Of the Kauffmans there are none. The

Beilers never lived in the Oley Valley unless very tentatively. John Beiler, son of Jacob the immigrant, lived in an adjoining township to Oley just outside of Reading, but he was not Amish.

In 1809 a Christian Joder of Mifflin County, Pa. wrote an account of his forerunners. He was born in 1778 and his father, Yost, was born in 1737. Most likely his father was born in Europe. At this early age he was in a position to write of what his father remembered concerning their settlement in America. He does not once mention the Oley Valley.

David Beiler in 1862 wrote a most detailed account of the first seven Amish churches in America, and does not mention the Oley Valley at all. However, we feel it is yet too early to make final statements on the matter, although we will omit this settlement at this time concerning our shiplists.

The following names in shiplists are more scattered, are harder to distinguish, are harder to place, therefore some names may be overemphasized, others may not get due recognition, and some may be absent. They are open for more study. According to Rev. Harvey Hochstetler in his book, "Descendants of Barbara Hochstetler and Christian Stutzman," the grandfather of Christian, namely John Jacob Stutzman, landed at Philadelphia October 2, 1727. If he was Amish is in question, but he did contribute to our church a vast lineage, prominent in church activities.

Johannes Rickenbach  
Johannes Lapp  
Rudolph Lapp  
Johannes Slabach  
Henry Slabach

These were of one shiplist in 1733. Since the elder Lapp was married to a Rickenbach our first Lapp family history writer has relied on these two as our forebearers, we will list them. They are open for study. (See pages 72, 98, 130, and 148 of the 1972 volume of THE DIARY.)

The Slabachs cannot be placed at this time.  
Jacob Burki, and  
Christian Blank

are also from the 1733 shiplists. We cannot place them at all as yet. Because these two full names appear so often in European Amish church congregation lists, we feel they may be of our clan, but we have no records of their descendants. So many of our immigrants lost their companions here in early years and returned to their homeland for a second wife, and some never returned.

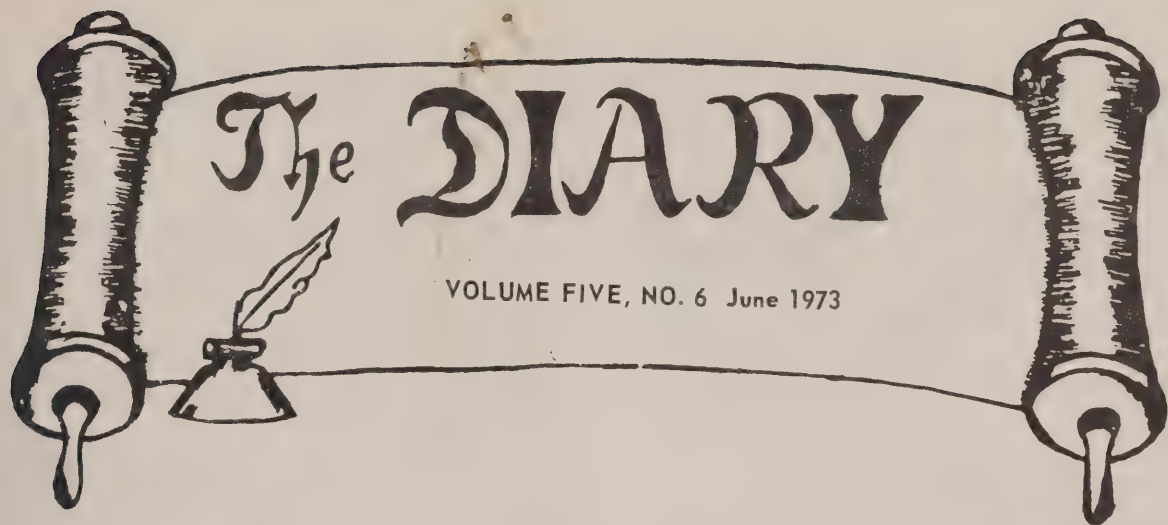
Hans Schmidt  
Melchior Detweiler  
Jacob Hostetler  
John Gerber  
Christian Erb  
Catherine Hochstetlerin  
Eva Hochstetlerin

Again, these names are so typical and appear together in one congregation in France in 1723, that we think they belong together. Hans Schmidt received

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### 5-YEAR-OLD SHOT ACCIDENTALLY BY GROUNDHOG HUNTER

Elmer K., age 5, son of Bennie L. and Emma (King) Fisher of Paradise R1, Pa., was struck and killed by a groundhog hunter's bullet as he sat in a pasture on his father's farm Tuesday afternoon, June 26, looking at pictures in a child's book. Elmer and his two brothers, Melvin, 10, and Ephraim, 6, were sent into the pasture to watch the family's herd of cows so they would not wander into a cornfield. The hunter was from Philadelphia, Pa. and had hunted groundhogs in the area previously. Elmer was struck in the head by a slug from a high-powered hunting rifle and was killed instantly. (See obituary)

### CONEWANGO VALLEY BOY STRUCK BY CAR

Atlee, age 6, son of Jacob D. and Jemima (Byler) Stutzman of Conewango Valley, New York, was hit by a car in front of their home, June 8. He was thrown 60 ft., was rushed to the hospital and pronounced dead on arrival. He had a broken neck and was hurt about the head and had possible internal injuries. Funeral services were held at Mose Stutzmans on the 10th.

### NEW YORK MAN KICKED BY COW

Isaac D. Miller of Conewango Valley, N. Y. was kicked by a cow in his abdomen. He was taken to the Emergency Room at the Gowanda Tri-County Hospital where he received six stitches. He is on the go again.

### HOUSE FIRE AT EMMA, IND.

Fire gutted a home near Emma, Ind. about 9 a.m. Saturday after a cooking stove exploded, scattering burning fuel about the kitchen. Damage to the home, owned by John M. Yoder, LaGrange R4, Ind., was estimated at \$10,000. A Topeka fireman was injured as firemen battled the blaze, when he fell through the roof of the home into the kitchen area.

### COMMUNITY NOTES

Adams Co., Pa. — Christopher B. Fisher, 10 year old son of Steven B. Fisher escaped serious injury while sitting on the hay crusher when an older brother was getting ready to crush hay and started the motor. Christy's shirt tail got caught in a shaft and in an instant had his clothes torn off of him. He had brush burns on his body, with the worst on his thighs. The motor was soon stopped.

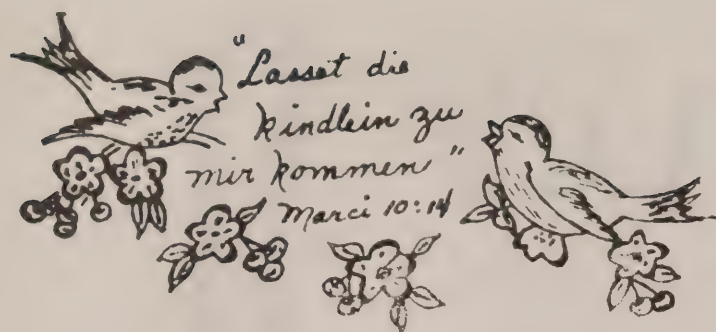
Adams Co., Pa. — Mumps are still in the community. Daniel B. Esh, fifteen year old son of Isaac F. Esh was quite a sick boy with them. One morning he did not feel well but worked all day behind warm and sweaty horses. The next morning he started out again, but finally was too sick to go on and went into the house and had a high fever. They took him to the doctor and he ordered him to the hospital. Tests were taken and showed spinal meningitis. But it later turned out to be a bad case of mumps.

### LANCASTER COUNTY ACCIDENTS

On June 8 Sylvan S. Kings of Paradise R1, Pa. were turning their cows out to pasture when Sylvan Jr., age 1½ years, was knocked over by a cow and tramped on between the shoulders. He had two broken ribs and a punctured lung, but his back wasn't broken as was feared at first. He had difficulty breathing because of the broken ribs. He spent one week in the hospital.

On May 13 while Pre. Benuel K. Kings of Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa., were in Mill Creek Church district the children at home were slicing meat and had their 1½ year old son sitting nearby. The child reached into the slicer blade, cutting the finger next to the thumb off except a little of the skin. The doctor sewed it back on and wants the child to have another operation to stretch the muscles. It also required a few stitches in the hand.





## BIRTHS

## Dover, Delaware

- MILLER, Eli H. (Mattie Yoder) Dover R2  
a daughter, MARTHA, June 28  
MILLER, Joe W. (Malinda Miller) Wyoming R1  
a son BENNIE, June 16  
MILLER, Mahlon W. (Anna Mast) Wyoming R1  
a son JOHNNY RAY, June 6

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

- ESH, John (Edith Yoder) Mechanicsville  
a son DANNIE, June 22  
HOSTETLER, Jacob (Salome Byler) Mechanicsville  
a daughter ESTHER, June 12  
STOLTZFUS, Ben (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville  
a son STEPHEN, June 14

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- BEILER, Amos S. (Sadie E. Lapp) Ronks R1  
a daughter REBECCA, June 7  
BEILER, Christ F. (Lydiann Fisher) Ronks R1  
a son JOHN O. June 28  
BEILER, Christ L. (Sylvia Lapp) Ronks R1  
a daughter SALLY, June 14  
EBERSOL, Leon F. (Nancy Ann Stoltzfus) Narvon R2  
a son STEVEN MARK, June 30  
ESH, Aaron S. (Lizzie S. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R2  
a son SAMUEL, June 29  
ESH, Ammon L. (Rachel L. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a son BENUEL K., June 17  
ESH, Benjamin H. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
a son BENJAMIN S., June 18  
FISHER, Levi S. (Lydia Fisher) Bart  
a daughter MARY ANN, June 13  
FISHER, Samuel F. (Susie R. Miller) Ronks R1  
a son LEVI M., June 21  
GLICK, Abner (Lavina Stoltzfus) New Providence R1  
a son DAVID, June 28  
GLICK, Jacob S. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) Horseshoe Rd.,  
Lancaster, a son REUBEN S., June 4  
KAUFFMAN, Christ (Mattie King) Honey Brook R2  
a daughter MARY, June 20  
KING, Aaron (Susan Swartz) Gordonville R1  
a daughter MARTHA, June 3  
KING, Daniel (Barbara F. Petersheim) Strasburg R1  
a son ELMER P., June 18  
KING, Samuel (Sylvia Ann Lapp) Gordonville R1  
a son SAMUEL JR., June 22  
LAPP, Bennie K. (Sara Fisher) Christiana R1  
a daughter SADIE F., June 2

- LAPP, Jesse J. (Barbara S. Lapp) Ronks R1  
a daughter SALOME L., June 1  
RIEHL, John F. (Lydia P. Stoltzfus) New Providence  
R1, a son AMOS K., June 27  
SMUCKER, Joseph (Naomi Smucker) East Earl R1  
a daughter NAOMI, June 3  
SMUCKER, Paul (Rachel Beiler) 2008 Horseshoe Rd.,  
Lancaster, a son PAUL JR., June 2  
STOLTZFUS, Elam B. (Arie F. Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a daughter ARIE S., June 30  
STOLTZFUS, Elam M. (Lydia Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1  
a daughter ELIZABETH, June 28  
STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Nancy B. Miller) Christiana R1  
a son JACOB S., June 15  
STOLTZFUS, John M. (Lizzie S. Blank) Bird-in-Hand  
R1, a daughter MALINDA B., June 25  
STOLTZFUS, Leroy S. (Lena K. Lapp) New Providence  
R1, a son DANIEL L., June 18  
STOLTZFUS, Levi E. (Barbara B. Fisher) Honey Brook  
R1, a daughter MARY F., June 23  
STOLTZFUS, Samuel (Lydia Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1  
a daughter MARTHA S., June 16  
SWAREY, Jacob K. Jr. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
a daughter BARBARA, June 9  
ZOOK, Elam B. (Emma H. Lapp) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son SAMUEL JAY, June 10  
ZOOK, Ephraim (Sarah Blank) Lititz R4  
a son AMOS B., June 29

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

- FISHER, Benue (Mary Kauffman) Myerstown R2  
a son SAMUEL, June 6  
LANTZ, Stephen (Rachel Lapp) Lebanon R1  
a son SAMUEL L., June 12

## Franklin County, Pennsylvania

- KING, Jonas (Annie Riehl)  
a daughter EDNA MAE, June 1  
LANTZ, Ben (Bena Kauffman)  
a son ROMAN, June 11  
STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Mary Zook)  
a daughter KATIE, June 2

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## Centre County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, Menno B. (Emma Flaud)  
a daughter LIZZIE, June 25

## Lawrence County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Harvey E. (Emma Mast)  
a daughter AMANDA, June 13  
HOSTETLER, Menno L. (Nancy Byler)  
a daughter LYDIA, June  
KURTZ, John (Saloma Wengerd)  
a daughter MARY, June  
TROYER, Dan D. (Lizzie Ann Byler)  
a son SAM, June 13  
YODER, Mose I. (Lovina Byler)  
a son JONATHAN, May 31

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Crist (Martha Byler)  
a daughter REBECCA, June 17  
MULLET, Melvin (Mary Byler)  
a son LEVI, June 3

## Conewango Valley, New York

KAUFFMAN, Jonas C. (Lydiann Hershberger)  
a daughter MARY, June 14  
KURTZ, Emanuel S. (Lomie Yoder)  
a son STEPHEN, June 26  
SHETLER, Levi N. (Emma Slabaugh)  
a daughter EMMA, June 11

## Wayne and Holmes Counties, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Dan A. (Erma Miller)  
a daughter, June 14  
KEIM, Leroy (Lydia Ann Yoder) Star Route, Millersburg  
a son LEROY, JR., May 6  
KUHN, Roy (Katie Miller)  
a daughter MARTHA, June 4  
MILLER, Edwin (Linda Shetler)  
a daughter JOAN, May 21  
SCHLABACH, Aden A. (Ella Raber) Sugar Creek R2  
a son NORMAN, June 10  
SHETLER, Marion I. (Ruth Hostetler) Sugar Creek R2  
a daughter SUSAN ELAINE, May 24  
WEAVER, Henry S. (Esther Yoder) Apple Creek R2  
a son MARK, June 14  
WENGERD, Crist (Edna Kuhns)  
a daughter CRISTINA IRENE, June 14  
YODER, Dan B. (Mary Yoder)  
a son ANDY, June 28

## Ashland County, Ohio

YODER, Ervin (Sarah Miller) Shiloh  
a daughter ANNIE, June 18

## Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, Lester (Mary Ann Detweiler)  
a son NOAH, June 3  
BYLER, Wm. J. (Ada Yoder)  
a son ELMER, June 6  
YODER, Melvin M. (Fannie Hershberger Mast)  
a son RAYMOND, June 10

## Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Andy (Emma Schmucker) Ft. Wayne  
a son ANDY, in June  
GRABER, Enos (Betty Schmucker) Grabill  
a son ENOS, in June  
GRABER, Samuel (Lillie Schmucker) Grabill  
a son in June  
LENGACHER, Reuben (Rosa Lengacher) Grabill  
a son in June  
SCHMUCKER, Jesse (Mary Graber) Spencerville  
a son JESSE, June 18  
STEURY, Reuben (Barbara Brandenberger) Grabill  
a son MICHAEL, June 26

## LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana

BEACHY, Elmer J. (Wilma Yoder) LaGrange R1  
a son MAYNARD, June 11  
BEACHY, Lewis A. (Edna Ellen Miller) Topeka RR1  
a son JOHN ALLEN, June 16  
BEECHY, Aaron (Polly Hershberger) Topeka R2  
a daughter WILMA, June 10  
BONTRAGER, Chris (Mary Miller) Topeka R2  
a daughter ESTHER MARY, June 2  
BONTRAGER, Ervin A. (Anna Yoder) LaGrange R1  
a son PERRY A., June 9  
GRABER, Ernest H. (Wilma Miller) Shipshewana R1  
a son VERNON E., May 29  
KRAMER, Lester R. (Freeda Yoder) La Grange RR4  
a daughter Roselle Kay, June 12  
LEHMAN, Perry (Fannie Bontrager) LaGrange RR4  
a daughter INEZ P., May 31  
MILLER, Perry E. (Esther Bontrager) LaGrange R1  
a son MERLIN JAY, June 17  
PETERSHEIM, Elva J. (Lydia Miller) Topeka R2  
a son DAVID E., June 15  
SCHLABACH, Orva (Beulah Yoder) Middlebury R1  
a daughter CAROL, May 26  
SCHWARTZ, Daniel (Mary Zehr) Goshen R1  
a daughter EMMA ELIZABETH, June 16  
SCHWARTZ, Dan U. (Katie Fry) LaGrange R2  
a daughter MARY, June 1  
WINGARD, Joseph, Jr. (Betty Bontrager) Shipshewana R2  
a son MANAS J., June 18  
YODER, Alvin T. (Katie Miller) LaGrange R4  
a daughter MARY ESTHER, June 11  
YODER, Wilbur J. (Wilma Beechy) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter RUBY W., June 16

## Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Glenn (Beulah Graber)  
a son June 20  
KNEPP, Henry (Laura Lengacher)  
a daughter, June 19  
STOLL, John (Ida Mae Graber)  
a son REUBEN, June 5  
STOLL, Nicholas (Martha Wagler)  
a son STEPHEN, May 22  
WAGLER, John (Martha Knepp)  
a daughter LINDA ANN, June 14  
WAGLER, Wallace (Leah Knepp)  
a son, June 19



## BIRTHS, Continued

Kokomo, Indiana

MILLER, Lester (Alma Anderson) Amboy R1  
a son ALLEN RAY, June 16

Adams County, Indiana

CHRISTNER, Sam (Emma Girod) Geneva R1  
a daughter JOSEPHINE, in May  
EICHER, Amos (Lovina Girod) Bluffton R4  
adopted a baby boy MARVIN, June 4  
EICHER, Elmer W. (Sylvia Christner) Geneva R1  
a son ELMER, June 3  
SCHWARTZ, Ben V. (Lovina Hilty) Monroe R1  
a daughter EDNA, June 1  
SCHWARTZ, Christ Q. (Rosie U. Schwartz) Geneva R1  
a son CHRIS, in May  
SCHWARTZ, Henry H. (Barbara Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter ELIZABETH, June 21  
SCHWARTZ, Jacob V. (Mattie Wickey) Geneva R1  
a son DAVID, June 18  
SCHWARTZ, Jonas M. (Ann Eicher) Berne R2  
a daughter LOVINA, June 2  
SCHWARTZ, Joe M. (Lydiann F. Schwartz) Berne R1  
a son LARRY, June 18  
SCHWARTZ, Joe N. (Leah Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter SUSIE, June 18  
SCHWARTZ, Sam Q. (Esther Kuepfer) Geneva R1  
a daughter REBECCA, in May  
SCHWARTZ, William H. (Susie Hilty) Geneva R2  
a son JOHN, June 26  
SHETLER, Andy J. (Suvilla Hilty) Monroe R1  
a son CORNEAL, June 30

Buchanan County, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Floyd J. (Lizzie Kauffman) Fairbank  
a son DANIEL, May 3  
HELMUTH, Perry (Esther Schmucker) Hazleton  
a son DAVID, June 15

Johnson County, Iowa

KAUFFMAN, Cephas (Frieda Bender)  
a daughter IRENE, June 15  
MILLER, Adin (Barbara Ann Bender)  
a daughter LEANNA JUNE, June 4  
MILLER, Joseph (Rhoda Kauffman)  
a son STEPHEN, June 10  
OVERHOLT, Joe (Laura Miller)  
a son CLIFFORD RAY, June 10

Audrain County, Missouri

BORINTRAGER, Levi J. (Lena N. Gingerich)  
a son BENJAMIN, June 18  
MILLER, Ezra and Edna  
a son ALVIN, May 13  
MILLER, Henry T. (Anna Miller)  
a son TOBIAS, June 29  
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Noah J.  
a daughter, June 29  
PETERSHEIM, Eli J. (Sarah N. Gingerich)  
a son JACOB, June 3

Arthur, Illinois

YODER, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry, Tuscola  
a daughter, June 12

Bronson, Michigan

BORINTRAGER, Mr. and Mrs. Truman  
a son LE ROY, June 1

Centreville, Michigan

HOSTETLER, Noah (Mervin Miller) Three Rivers R3  
a son PAUL, June 24  
MILLER, Wayne (Wilma Bontrager) Colon R1  
a son MELVAN, May 27

New Glarus, Wisconsin

YODER, Ben L. (Rachel Miller)  
a son SIMON, June 6

Cashton, Wisconsin

HERSHBERGER, Menno C. (Barbara L. Miller)  
a son DAVID, June 17

Lakeside, Ontario

TROYER, Noah (Ella Mast) St. Marys R4  
a daughter ROSIE, June 9

Milverton, Ontario, Canada

KUEPFER, Allan (Emaline Kuepfer) Newton  
a son ROBERT, June 14  
KUEPFER, Joe (Selina Kuepfer) Millbank R1  
a son HAROLD, June 21  
KUEPFER, Reuben (Catherine Albrecht) Millbank R1  
a son ISAAC, June 5

Chesley, Ontario

HERSHBERGER, Enos J. (Anna Yoder)  
a daughter KATIE, June 13

## OBITUARIES

BONTRAGER, Daniel D. Jr., 35, Centreville R1,  
Michigan, died May 30. He had been in failing  
health for six months. A son of Dan D. and Lydia  
(Miller) Bontrager, he was born February 25, 1938,  
died at the age of 35 yr., 3 mo., 3 days. He was  
married to Emma Schmucker, November 27, 1958,  
lived in matrimony 14 yr., 6 mo., 3 days. To this  
union were born two children, a daughter, Pollyanna,  
and a son, Lonnie, both at home. Also surviving are  
two brothers, Christy of Topeka, Ind. and Delbert of  
Asuncion, Paraguay, S. A.; five sisters, Mrs. Amos  
(Katie) Bontrager of Mendon, Mich., Mrs. Alvin (Elma)  
Troyer, Mrs. Sam (Leanna) Troyer, Ida Sue and Polly  
Bontrager, all of Centreville, Michigan.

Funeral services were held at the Ivan Miller  
residence by Samuel W. Bontrager and Bishop Noah  
Borntrager. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery in  
Nottawa Township.

**BORNTRAGER, Mrs. Katie, 88, Sugarcreek, Ohio**  
 widow of Bishop Noah C. Borntrager, died June 11, at the home of a granddaughter, Mrs. Dan J. (Viola) Hershberger, where she had been taken care of since April 1. She was born July 15, 1884, a daughter of Benjamin M. and Anna (Kaufman) Beachy, and died at the age of 88 yr., 10 mo., 26 days. She was married to Noah C. Borntrager, December 6, 1904, lived in matrimony 67 yr., 4 mo., 21 days, was a widow 1 yr., 1 mo., 14 days. To this union were born 4 sons and 3 daughters. Surviving are 4 sons and 2 daughters, Anna, Mary Ann, Menno, Jonas, Ben, and Henry; 35 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; one brother, Mose B. Beachy of Wellman, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Borntrager of Walnut Creek, and Mrs. Mose (Lizzie) Coblentz of Chouteau, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her husband, one daughter, father, mother, one granddaughter, three brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services were held at the home of a son, Jonas N. Borntrager, by Bishop Noah J. Coblentz and Noah M. Schlabach; Psalm was read by Deacon Levi L. Troyer. Burial was in the Levi R. Yoder Cemetery.

**BYLER, Monroe N., 38, Conewango Valley, N. Y.**

Funeral services were held at his parents' home on June 17. He died of Sugar Diabetes, and had his one leg amputated. His home was in Geauga Co., Ohio, and he was never married.

**BYLER, Noah D., 64, Old State Rd., Middlefield, O.**  
 died Friday night, June 22, at the age of 64 yr., 8 mo., 24 days. Surviving are a brother, Elmer of Burton, O., three sisters, Mrs. Mose Hershberger of Milton, Iowa, Mrs. Dena Gingerich of Clark, Mo., and Mrs. Ruben S. Miller, at whose home he stayed.

Funeral services were held by Pre. David U. Gingerich of Clark, Mo., Pre. Levi L. Hershberger of Wroxeter, Ont., and Bishop Jake U. Gingerich of the home church.

**CHUPP, Raymond C., 69, Bremen, R1, Ind.**  
 died Saturday evening, June 23, in the Bremen Community Hospital following an illness of two months. He was born in Thomas, Okla., January 2, 1904, and had lived in the Bremen area since 1944. He was married in 1936, to Melinda Borntrager, who preceded him in death in 1943. He married Alma Hochstetler in Bremen November 11, 1945. She survives, also four sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Schrock of Topeka, Mrs. Lydia Garver of Chouteau, Okla., Mrs. Mary Gingerich of Kalona, Iowa, and Mrs. Anna Miller of Bremen; eight brothers, John, Harvey, Andrew, and Rudolph, all of Nappanee, Joseph of Bremen, William of Ronks R1, Pa., Samuel of Chouteau, Okla., and Levi of Phoenix, Ariz.; a son, Clarence of Bremen; two daughters, Mrs. Amanda Hochstetler of Bremen, and Mrs. Mary Hochstetler of Bremen and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Lamar Hochstetler home by Bishop Henry Yoder. Burial was in the Weldy Cemetery, west of Nappanee.

**FISHER, Elmer K., age 5, Paradise R1, Pa.**

was killed by a groundhog hunter's bullet Tues., June 26 (see front page). He is survived by his parents, Benjamin L. and Emma (King) Fisher; two brothers, Ephraim and Melvin; three sisters, Sadie, Rebecca, and Ruth, all at home; his paternal grandparents, Phares and Rebecca (Lapp) Fisher, and maternal grandparents, Eohraim and Sarah (Fisher) King, both of Ronks R1.

Short funeral services were held in the house by Pre. Jonas K. Esh, hymn by Dea. Samuel K. King; further services were held in the barn by Bishop Amos G. Esh and Pre. John S. Fisher, hymn by Levi H. Fisher; hymn at graveyard by Joseph S. Fisher, abschied by Bishop John S. Glick. Burial was in the Georgetown Cemetery.

**FISHER, Mrs. Fannie, 87, Honey Brook R3, Pa.**

died at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 10, at her home. She was born in Strasburg, a daughter of the late John and Sarah (Ebersol) King. Her husband was the late Benjamin L. Fisher, who died in 1949. She is survived by one son, John L., with whom she resided; ten grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Amos King, New Providence, and Moses King, Ronks R1; and one sister, Esther King, Gap R1.

Short funeral services were held at the small house by Amos L. Stoltzfus and Levi Riehl; further services were held by Pre. Moses Blank and Bishop Elam Kauffman; hymn read by Dea. Levi Kauffman; at the graveyard, hymn read by Dan U. Stoltzfus, abscheid by Stephen Fisher. Her age was 87 yr., 2 mo., 8 days. Pallbearers were four grandsons, Benj., Aaron, John, and Daniel Fisher. Burial was at the Stoltzfus Cemetery, Honey Brook. This cemetery was started in 1949 for the late Benjamin L. Fisher, there are 26 bodies buried there.

**FISHER, Infant, Paradise R1, Pa.**

An infant son of Reuben B. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Fisher was stillborn at home Monday, June 18. In addition to his parents, he is survived by five brothers and sisters, Lizzie, Elmer, Barbara, John, and Annie; also the maternal grandparents, John L. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Leola R1; the paternal grandparents, Christian E. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Fisher, Paradise R1, and a paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Rebecca Fisher, Paradise R1.

**HELMUTH, Mattie, 78, of Arthur, Illinois**

died Friday, June 15, at the age of 78 yr., 3 mo., 9 days. She was born in Moultrie Co., Ill. on March 6, 1895 to John J. Miller, and had five sisters and three brothers. On December 18, 1919 she married Noah J. Helmuth, who survives. They lived in matrimony 53 yr., 5 mo., 28 days. Also surviving are a son Floyd who married Dorothy Crawford, and a daughter Clara who married Enos Helmuth; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Christian J. Miller of Middlebury, Ind., and Eli J. Miller of South Bend, Indiana.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

KEIM, Naomi, 7 months, Mt. Hope, Ohio  
daughter of Leander A. and Lizzie (Schlabach)  
Keim, died May 30. Surviving in addition to her  
parents are a brother and a sister, Milian and Mary  
Ann at home; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John A.  
Schlabach of Sugar Creek R1, and Atlee J. Keim of  
Mt. Hope. Funeral services were held by Levi J.  
Miller.

KING, Infant twins, Paradise R1, Pa.  
daughters of Samuel E. and Mary (Zook) King,  
one was stillborn and the other died 15 minutes after  
birth at the Osteopathic Hospital, June 4. Funeral  
services were held by Amos Y. Beiler; hymn read by  
Christ Petersheim; at graveyard, hymn read by Amos  
K. King (paternal grandfather), abschied by Samuel  
K. Zook (maternal grandfather). Burial was at the  
Georgetown Cemetery. Maternal great-grandparents  
are Isaac and Mary Zook, and Leroy and Fannie  
Stoltzfoos; paternal great-grandmothers are Mrs.  
Rebecca Fisher and Mrs. Elizabeth King.

KUEPFER, Marvin, 8 months, Linwood R1, Ont.  
son of Lloyd and Laura (Wagler) Kuepfer, passed  
away June 17 at Listewell Hospital following a brief  
illness. A brother, Joseph, died last October.  
Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kuepfer of R1  
Linwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Enos Wagler of Millbank  
R1, Ont. His mother was in the hospital at the time  
following a gallstone operation, and was allowed to  
come home for an hour the morning of the funeral.

MAST, Amanda (Byler), 82, Dover, Delaware  
widow of Yost D. Mast, died June 27 at the age  
of 82 yr., 10 mo., 29 days. Funeral was held at the  
home, Friday P.M. June 29.

MILLER, Anna S., 74, Buchanan Co., Iowa  
died of a heart condition June 21. She was born  
January 26, 1899 and died at the age of 74 yr., 4 mo.,  
26 days. They were married 52 yr., 5 mo., and 1 day.  
Surviving are three sons and five daughters, Ellis of  
Fort Wayne, Ind.; Edna, wife of Ezra Miller of Clark,  
Mo.; Mattie, wife of Jake Schwarz, Hazleton, Ia.;  
Fannie, wife of Aden Yutzy, Ellinsore, Mo.; Calvin  
of Perry, Ia.; Alma, wife of Monroe Mast, Cashton,  
Wis.; Ida, wife of Norman Yutzy, Bloomfield, Ia.;  
Ora, husband of Martha Bontrager, Middlebury, Ind.;  
(two sons died young); 41 grandchildren; seven  
great-grandchildren; one brother and four sisters,  
Will S. Miller of LaGrange, Ind.; Katie, wife of Ammon  
Lambright; Edna, wife of Urie Yoder, Bowling Green,  
Mo., still living; Mary, wife of Milt Otto, Middlebury,  
Ind.; and Almina, wife of Amos Miller, Shippshewana,  
Indiana, both deceased.

Funeral services were held at the home place by  
Bishop Levi Bontrager of the home church, Bishop  
Urie Yoder of Bowling Green, Mo. and Bishop Menno  
Hershberger of Cashton, Wis. in the big shed; and  
Pre. Reuben Schwarz of Ashley, Ind., Pre. Wm. W.  
Miller of Milton, Ia. and Bishop John Mast of Clark,  
Mo. in the little shed. Burial was in North Cemetery.

MILLER, Lydia, 31, of Clark, Missouri  
died June 26 at the age of 31 yr., 2 mo., 8 days,  
after doctoring and spending some time in the hospital  
the last seven months for cancer. She was a daughter  
of Valente and Anna (Troyer) Shetler, and was  
married to Levi T., son of Dea. Tobias and Sarah  
(Petersheim) Miller on February 22, 1966. Survivors  
include her husband, four children, her parents, six  
brothers and six sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Tobias Miller  
home on June 29.

MILLER, Ray A., 26, Greentown R2, Indiana  
died June 19, after going into a coma following  
an eight month illness of Leukemia. Born in Elkhart  
County, February 23, 1947, he was a son of Andrew  
L. and Barbara (Burkholder) Miller. On September 3,  
1966, he was married to Mary Anderson, who survives  
along with his parents and three children, Loretta  
Kay, Lyle Ray, and Sharon Ann, all at home; two  
brothers, Jacob A. and Simon A. Miller, both of Nap-  
panee; six sisters, Mrs. Mary Lehman, Middlebury;  
Mrs. Harley Hochstedler, LaGrange; Mrs. Mattie  
Schlabach and Mrs. Katie Kemp, both of Mendon,  
Mich.; Miss Anna Miller, Shippshewana; and Mrs.  
William Miller, Paraguay, South America.

Funeral services were held June 22 at the George  
Gingerich home by Bishop George Gingerich of the  
home church and Bishop Lonnie Schlabach of Nap-  
panee. Burial was in the Christner Cemetery on the  
Howard-Miami County line.

SCHWARTZ, Lovina, 3 days, Geneva, Indiana  
infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas M. Schwartz,  
died June 6 at 12:33 a.m. at the Adams County  
Memorial Hospital. She was born prematurely June 2  
at the hospital. Surviving are the parents, Jonas and  
Ann (Eicher) Schwartz, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.  
Jacob E. Schwartz and Mrs. Joseph Eicher.

Graveside services were held at the Bunker Hill  
Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Sarah B., 92, Ronks R1, Pa.  
died Monday, June 25, at 8:05 p.m. at the home of  
Samuel M. Fisher with whom she resided. She had  
been under the care of a physician and was sick two  
months. Born in East Lampeter Township, she was a  
daughter of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth (Lapp)  
Fisher and the widow of Levi Z. Stoltzfus who died  
in 1960. She was the last of her family.

Short funeral services were held at the home by  
Bishop Christian M. Fisher, and Pre. Noah B. Fisher  
of Somerset Co., Pa.; further services were held at  
the home of Joseph S. Fisher, by Pre. John K. Lapp,  
and Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus; hymn read by Pre.  
Bennie A. Fisher of Somerset Co., Pa.; at graveyard,  
hymn read by Lloyd Beiler; abschied by Samuel U.  
Fisher; burial at Beilers Cemetery at Ronks.

**STOLTZFUS, Sarah M., 43, Strasburg R1, Pa.**

wife of John L. Stoltzfus, died at Lancaster General Hospital Wednesday morning, June 6. She had been under a physician's care. She was born in Leacock Township, a daughter of Mrs. Rebecca S. Fisher, Paradise R1, and the late John U. Fisher. Her age was 43 yr., 9 mo., 26 days. In addition to her husband and mother she is survived by seven children, Christ F., Strasburg R1; Aaron F., Gap R1; Fannie, wife of Levi K. King, Paradise R1; Samuel, Rebecca, Sadie, and Rachel, all at home; two grandchildren; and eight brothers and sisters, Christ E. and Aaron E., both of Paradise R1; John E., Sugar Valley; Abner, Bart; Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Riehl, Strasburg R1; Samuel E., Gordonville R1; Rachel, wife of Amos K. King, Hessdale, and Rebecca, wife of Solomon E. Stoltzfus, Paradise R1.

Short funeral services were held at the house by John K. Beiler, hymn read by John R. Glick; further services were held in the barn by Bishop Amos S. Lapp and Jonas K. Esh, hymn read by Daniel Stoltzfus. Burial was at Georgetown Cemetery, where a hymn was read by Ben Esh, Henry Fisher had abschied. Pallbearers were Samuel King, John Riehl, Jacob Stoltzfus, and Christ King.

**STUTZMAN, Atlee, 6 years, Conewango, N. Y.**

died June 1, after veing in an accident (see front page). He was a son of Jacob D. and Jemima (Byler) Stutzman. Funeral services were held at the Mose Stutzman home on the 10th.

**STUTZMAN, Jonas E., 79, Middlefield, Ohio**

died at his home June 23 following a stroke. He is survived by his wife, Amanda 6. (Byler) Stutzman; three sons, Jake and Dan of Middlefield and Wm. of Sugarcreek; one daughter, Mrs. Adam Byler of Huntsburg; 26 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Gingerich of Middlefield and Mary Hayworth of St. Petersburg, Florida.

**TROYER, Daniel A., 38, of Mercer Co., Pa.**

died of a heart attack in his home Friday evening, June 22, after an hour and a half of chest pains. He was born in Iowa, September 14, 1934, a son of Andy A. and Ida (Kemp) Troyer. (Andy died last fall of a heart attack.) His first wife, Anna Mae Yoder, died June 4, 1971, leaving him with three sons and five daughters. June 22, 1972 he was married to Mary A. Byler, whom he leaves with the eight children.

## COMMUNITY NOTES

Allen Co., Ind. - Vernon, 14, son of William and Sarah Ann (Eicher) Schmucker had the misfortune of getting the first finger of his right hand partly sawed off and the second finger cut pretty badly, by holding a limb while some one else was operating the chain saw. He was halping clean up after the storm.

Dover, Del. - On May 28th Neal A. Byler family moved from Dover, Del. to the Milton, Iowa area. They had a well attended public sale, May 19.

## MARRIAGES

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Summy, Yoder - Harvey, son of Eli and Fannie (Lee) Summy, and Rhoda, daughter of Pete E. and Effie (Yoder) Yoder, June 3, by Bishop Bennie A. Yoder.

Geauga County, Ohio

Mullet, Byler - Owen, son of Elmer and Mary (Hershberger) Mullet, and Florence, daughter of Monroe and Amanda (Miller) Byler, June 7.

Miller, Byler - Joe, son of John and Lizzie Miller, and Katie, daughter of Jonas and Emma Byler, June 12.

Hershberger, Byler - Dan, son of Milo and Nannie (Detweiler) Hershberger, and Edna, daughter of Monroe and Amanda (Miller) Byler, June 14.

Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Raber - Widorer John L. Yoder, 56, Baltic R1, and Elizabeth, 42, daughter of Levi N. and Susan Raber, July 5.

Allen County, Indiana

Lengacher, Brandenberger - Melvin, son of Victor and Mary Ann (Graber) Lengacher, and Wilma, dau. of Elmer and Betty (Schwartz) Brandenberger, June 7, by Bishop Noah Eicher.

Adams County, Indiana

Hilty, Graber - Joni E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hilty, Berne R1, and Emma J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas J. Graber, Geneva R2, June 14.

Wickey, Weaver - Jerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake D. Wickey, Berne R1, and Anna Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Schwartz, Monroe R1, June 28.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Miller - Leland, son of Raymond and Wilma Miller, Topeka, and Edna, daughter of Leroy Millers of Nappanee.

Miller, Smucker - Levi, son of Bishop Amos U. and Fanny (Bontrager) Miller, and Mary Ellen, dau. of Jancy Smuckers of Nappanee, June 7.

Schwartz, Yoder - Eldon, son of Dea. Menno Schwartz of Etna Green, and Ida, daughter of Bishop Abe A. and Sarah (Kaufman) Yoder of Topeka, June 14.

Graber, Weaver - Floyd, son of Simon and Susie (Beachy) Graber, and Ada, daughter of Joni and Mary (Fry) Weaver, June 14.

Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Graber - Melvin Graber and Leah Graber, June 17, by Bishop Joe L. Graber.

Audrain County, Missouri

Yoder, Borntrager - Glen, son of Bishop Ura I. and Edna Yoder of Bowling Green, and Ida, daughter of Jerry and Anna (Yoder) Borntrager, June 7, by Ura I. Yoder.

Milverton, Ontario

Schmidt, Kuepfer - Ammon, son of Daniel Schmidt and the late Marie (Steckley), and Clara, daughter of Chris Kuepfer, June 14.



JUNE						
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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Sarasota, Florida, by Mose B. Miller

June 26 - Watermelons are at the peak right now. Any big melon costs about 70¢. Some tomato growers let you come into the fields and pick all you want free, big ripe tomatoes. We only had 3.7 inches of rainfall so far for June. Yesterday all day, and is predicted for all day today, was a smog hanging over Sarasota and on south. Very little sun comes through and no breeze to drive it away.

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

First half of June was clear, during which time about 1/3 of the hay crop was harvested, last half was unusually wet, with a total rainfall of 8.8 in. for the month, 7.4 in. fell after the 17th. Temperature was very high, highest was 90 on the 10th, very warm and humid. Hay is an unusually heavy crop, much of which spoiled in the field. Second cutting alfalfa is being cut. Most grains are on shock but none thrashed yet.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

June started in warm and pleasant, 4th and 5th temperatures were in the high 90s. Then we had a week of warm sticky weather, got pretty dry. The 16th and 17th we had light showers, the 18th almost an inch. Then we had some more humid weather till June 27th when we had 1.7 inches rain in an hour. A half mile away they had 2.5 in, still further was 3 inches. Had six thunderstorms. A lot of rain went by south and northwest of us, so it was very spotty. We have fairly wet now and tremendous growing weather. Farmers are finished thrashing barley, next comes oats. Corn fields are in very good condition. Total rainfall was 4.5 in. Yes, God has been good to us.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 7.4 inches. On June 22 Lancaster County had thunderstorms which swept through the county, with some sections higher water levels than it was just one year ago when Hurricane Agnes went through. Quarryville, Lititz, East Petersburg, Ephrata, and Denver reported Flash Flooding. On Thursday Evening the 28th and Friday Morning the 29th Lancaster County was hit hard again with thunderstorms, flash flooding and high winds, in some sections four inches of rain. Quarryville, New Providence, Strasburg, Bird-in-Hand, New Holland, and Ephrata area were hit the hardest.

Market Report: We have probably all heard about the Watergate, the threatening of impeaching President Nixon, and now, the price freeze. Never before in American History was there a price control when our country was not in war. Farm markets are holding fairly steady with last month. Washington reports another 7% wage increase by Fall. So with the present situation we just have to wonder what is hiding around the corner.

by Elam S. Beiler

Corn grew fast in June, early corn is 4 ft. high. It was flattened out pretty well in some areas due to the storm of Thursday night, the 28th, but is straightening up again. Very little cultivating done in this area last half of June, although it varied greatly from one section to the other. It is not hard to pick out the fields that were not sprayed, this year again. Most of the corn is sprayed. Wheat seems somewhat shorter and thinner. Some of the new grasses are almost as high as the wheat, none cut here in June but some started July 2nd. Barley fields are pretty flat from the storm but wheat is standing well. Rye fields that were left standing for grain are also "hudlich." Hay was hard to get without rain except for one week early in June. Some was out in the field over two weeks. Still some first cutting mixed fields not cut yet. It was rather hard mowing as it was flat. Quite a bit was mowed one way. Is making a lot of hay. Some second cutting alfalfa was mowed and baled latter part of month. Tobacco planting started early in June and most of it was planted first half of month. It was too wet latter part of month and there is still some to put out yet. Started nicely but has plenty of weeds as cultivating is behind schedule. Strawberries did well but the season was cut short by damp weather. Peas did well except where birds had a feast. Sweet corn is in tassels. Garden things look good. Weeds also doing very well. Cherries plentiful, although a lot rotted as they ripened, especially on tops of trees.

by Ammon F. Fisher

June had a total of 8.7 inches rainfall. Storm and flooding the night of the 28th. We had 3.4 inches of rain and some places in southern end of county had as much as 8 inches. The farmers are having quite a battle with the weeds as there was some 90 degree weather, and wet through most of the month. Farmers had quite a time getting their first crop hay in, and it's not all in yet. Seems as soon as you're done cultivating once the weeds look up at you and say, "Here I come again."

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

June was mostly wet with 7.3 inches of rain. On July 4th we had some hail which was strong enough to break windows on the west side. Also a lot of garden vegetables were damaged and early planted tobacco had to be replanted. Wheat and barley has from 10% to as high as 75% of the heads knocked off, in the worst area. Extra good growing weather the latter part of the month, but not very much hay weather. Some farmers were still planting corn the last week of June.



### Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

June showers made a total of 5.8 inches here at our place, while in Gettysburg it averaged 3.84 in. There were only four days with the temperature in the 90s. The high of 93 degrees was registered on the afternoon of June 10 and 11. The lowest for the month was 50 degrees on June 1. Barley is being harvested and farmers are cutting wheat. There is still lots of timothy and clover hay to be made. The farmers had to watch their chance to get it, which was seldom without a shower of rain after it was cut. First planted corn will be more than knee-high by the 4th of July. But there is a lot of late planted corn this year. Some fields are still unplanted.

### Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

Lots of heavy rains and thundershowers through the month, although there were some real nice hay-making days. This month brought back memories of the June 1972 flood with all the rains we had. Still quite a lot of first crop hay to be made, some fields are almost too wet to get into with the balers to make the hay. There will be a lot of hay sent for mulch hay, or for mushroom plants. This type of hay sells for from \$10 to \$15 per ton. Some barley was put into the silos, also some of it is thrashed already. Wheat is about ready to cut, and looks like a good crop.

### Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

We had good growing weather in June, lots of rain and sunshine, still on the wet side. Corn and oats look very good. First cutting hay is mostly in barns, a lot of it had some rain. Barley bindering started last week. Sam Y. Beilers moved to Path Valley (Spring Run) June 14.

### Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

June was wet and warm. Not much hay was put in in June this year and none was put in without any rain or heavy fog on it. Some corn is fence high and some is just coming up. Total rainfall for month was 6.5 inches. Had no cool days or nights, but lots of warm and humid weather.

We took a visit in June through Indiana, Michigan and Missouri Amish settlements. Their hospitality towards us was excellent, and we met many very fine and "fromm" Amish Christian people in every settlement we went. It is now 190 years the first Amish settled in this country, and there is more difference between the Amish customs and the world now than there was then. Little did they realize then that the plain Amish churches would some day reach the membership and size they now have.

### Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

We had wonderful growing weather this month, 4 5/8 inches of rain on our hill. Even though corn got planted late, a lot will be knee-high by the 4th of July. Hay making was sort of between showers, a lot got rained on. The price of hay is down to normal again. Oats looks good. Cherries and peaches are somewhat scarce here due to it being too cold in the spring.

### Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

June was wet and damp in this section. Very slow hay weather. Several times we had real drying weather for several days, but then it would rain again. Still a lot of hay to make at the end of June. Yield is mostly good, except a few fields where it was frozen out. Oats is heading out and looking good. Corn is looking good and really growing. Most of the corn will be at least knee-high by the fourth of July. Between six and seven inches of rain for the month.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

June brought us warm summer days, not so cool like the month of May had been. There were 19 sunny days, frequent thunder showers, rainbow on the 1st and 28th, 5.5 inches of rainfall here, more in some places. Alfalfa has been put away, still a good bit of hay to be put away. Corn is all planted now, and corn fields look nice. Strawberries are past. Cherries were a good crop in some places, other places they were frozen. Peas are doing well this year. Meat and feed prices are still going up.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

June has been a warm month with about 4.8 in. of rain for the month. Quite a bit of hay has been put up already, although not all are quite done. Hay seems to be a bumper crop. Corn looks nice on the average. Some is about knee high already. Gardens are nice with strawberries a good crop and peas are on the menu. Sure lots to be thankful for.

### New Wilmington, Pa., by Mrs. Mose C. Byler

June was real nice to finish up planting belated crops. Latter part seems to be threatening dry weather. It gets cloudy but soon disappears and no rain. Corn fields look promising, but grain appears not so good. Strawberries were a good crop, and some sold as high as \$1.00 a quart. Eggs are going up a little, with feed up so high some poultry men are calling it quits and selling their hens. Feeder pigs are down far enough that caused some losses to hog raisers.

### Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

June was a good growing month. The early planted corn that was yellow due to the cool wet weather has made a remarkable change since it warmed up and got some drier. We had about 4 in. of rain in June which came mostly in thunder showers. Lots of corn was planted in June. The early planted corn will be above knee high by the 4th of July. Strawberries are past and were a good crop.

### Conewango, New York, by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

June was a wet month, and above normal rainfall. Crops which have been put in late show good progress. Most corn will be knee high till the 4th of July. Hay looks to be a good crop. Markets are still high, both beef and pork. Strawberries are a good crop and selling at 40¢, pick your own.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Stark County, Ohio, By Andrew M. Miller

This being the 26th of June the weather is very nice and summer-like, with just enough rain to keep things growing nicely, which we are thankful for. The average temperature was around sixty taken in the morning, and most of our wind was from the southwest. There were about twenty days of sunshine, and a few inches of rain. The farmers got most of their crops seeded, with a few a little late. A lot of nice hay was put up, but are not quite done yet. The early planted corn is a little uneven and spotty, but the late planting is a very good stand. Our truck farmers are bringing in very nice vegetables with a good price to our Hartville Auction on Mondays and Thursdays. On Mondays is their big day with fifty stands inside their big building and sometimes nearly three hundred stands on the outside. This makes lots of traffic and parking problems as they come by the thousands on a nice day.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

For this month, very nice warm growing weather. Half of the days had rains, some days more than others, the rest were beautiful, warm and sunshiny. Garden things, corn and oats look very good. First cutting hay is about all done, which was a good crop. Wheat is almost ready to harvest. Strawberries were a good supply, what the birds did not get, they were bad at some places. Raspberries are ripening, I understand the birds are working on them, too.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Had good haying weather for two weeks. Haying is nearly done among the Amish. Still plenty of moisture in the ground. Had a wonderful shower the 28th. Some corn is almost too high to plow. Some wheat is cut. Oats are heading out. Crops look very promising, only some fields are spotty.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of June we had good growing weather. Hay crop is heavy, and is pretty well over. Early planted corn on higher ground looks good but lowlands are more uneven due to wet weather. Wheat will be cut in next week to ten days. Cattle, hogs and feed prices remain high. Feeder pig prices are having a break.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

About normal temperatures in June, with above normal rainfall, warm between showers which makes a good growing season. Rather hard to get the hay dried, which is a heavy crop, some to be made yet. June was cold and wet last year, Storm Agnes was along the east coast June 24, with plenty of rain. Hogs hit new record prices again, \$41 to \$42 a Cwt. Due to high feed prices the pigs are selling some lower recently. It seems there's only one way traffic on prices, and that is up, not too healthy a situation, as our dollar is getting cheaper all the time.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Joe W. Byler

Still wet most of the month of June. Farmers are having a hard time getting the hay in. Lots of corn and gardens had to be replanted, but are doing well.

by John H. Hershberger

The weather for June was unusually wet, with over 4 inches rain, and the temperature has been more warm than cool. On the 5th of June we had what some called a tornado-like storm that uprooted trees and did minor damage, but did not touch down completely. Hay is a good crop, but one has to be alert to get it in between showers. Corn is behind and much of it will not make the knee-high stage by the 4th of July.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

Weather continues wet, with at least 6 inches of rain for June. Corn fields look spotty, with still some corn and beans being planted. Hay is a heavy crop, but hard to get dry. Wheat is turning fast. Peas seem to be a poor crop this year. Feeder pigs have dropped some in price, but fat hogs continue around 40¢. Milk price for Grade B milk is \$5.65 per hundred for 3.5 test. Feed prices continue very high.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The first week of June was wet with 2½ inches of rain. The last three weeks it was hot and dry with only ½ inch rain in the period. The last week of June there was much thunder and lightning but, seemingly, the rain part of it went out around us. Heard of tornadoes, hail, and winds in the surrounding area. Crops look fair so far but would soon be in need of rain. Corn has been curling up some, but probably mostly from the heat thus far. Land has been going up in price in this area recently. The high and extravagant prices of beans and corn probably was the cause of it. But am glad to hear that the prices of these crops took a drop downward.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

Had a lot of rain and thunderstorms in June. Had a severe storm the afternoon of the 26th, with awful high winds, also hail in some parts, blew down lots of trees, and some corn and oats fields are practically nothing. In some wheat fields the wheat heads look like they're threshed out. Hay seemed to be plentiful this year. Some farmers are starting to cut wheat. Strawberry crop wasn't of the best due to the late frosts we had.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

Forepart and latter part of June we had nice showers. Middle part was more dry and warm. On the 26th we had quite an electrical storm, and hail in spots that ranged in size of baseballs, hen eggs, golf balls, and lots smaller. In hard-hit areas the corn was quite slittered, windows were broken, and aluminum siding on houses was dented. At an apple orchard it sliced the apples and knocked them to the ground. Predict eggs will be over a dollar a dozen by Christmas.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

June 1973 — Had ideal summer days. The nice part about it was that the temperatures were steady, with no extremely hot days and there were really no chilly days. The rain was spaced nicely that lawns stayed very green all month. Rain fell on 16 days, but even so there was plenty of sunshine. There were only two days during the month on which the sun didn't shine. Hay making is in full swing. Wheat is turning to a golden brown. Corn is almost fence high. Figures for the month are: High, 91 on the 11th and 16th; Low, 53 on the 1st and 14th; rainfall, 4.97 inches; 12 clear days, 16 partly cloudy, 2 cloudy days, 16 rainy days, and 10 thunderstorms occurred.

Nappanee, Indiana, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

The month of June had some sultry weather but also very pleasant cool days. This gave the farmers the chance to get all their late corn and soybeans planted. However, the latter part of the month the farmers had quite a struggle to get hay in, due to wet weather. Corn looks good now.

Elkhart County, Ind., by Sam K. Stoltzfus

June brought us nice sunny weather. June 4th to 7th had rain. By the 11th it was getting dry and 92 degrees. June 16th was hot and humid and had tornado warnings. Strawberries are fair considering the frost they had. Some corn was husked and hay put in the same week. Some have peas to eat, while others with heavy soil just got their gardens plowed. Some wheat was cut on June 27th. Approximately 4 inches rainfall during June.

LaGrange County, Ind., by Anna Eash

The weather so far in June was seemingly just right. Some warm 80 degree weather and some rain. Few humid days. Gardens are doing real well. Hay was an excellent crop and weather was nearly perfect. Alfalfa is growing out nicely for the second cutting. Wheat looks real nice and is heading out. Oats looks fair and corn is growing fast. Presently weather is cool and somewhat cloudy after a nice rain. We have had some electrical storms but not severe.

Daviess County, Ind., by Lester Marner

June has been hot with lots of rain. Wheat is a short crop. Corn looks very good. Haying has been a problem due to rain.

Arthur, Illinois

We have had abundant moisture in June. Farmers have had a close race with weeds, and planting schedules. Early oats is turning a little later than usual. Row crops generally look good.

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

June started in quite wet but the rains stopped around the 5th. It has been warm and drying since. Most of the wheat harvest is over, with a real good crop. Weather was about perfect for harvesting, but is too dry for plowing. Second cutting hay is a little short.

Pike County, Missouri, by George D. Yoder

Weather for June was again not too far from normal, with from 4 to 6 inches rain for the month, some rain came in local showers. First planted corn is waist high while some late planted corn is still small. Wheat is cut and shocked where binders are used, combines are starting. Pasture is extra good, also hay, quite a bit of hay put up already. Oats are starting to change color and look pretty good. Indeed we have much to feel thankful for.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

In June we had over 7 inches of rain. Lot of late corn and beans planted. Some fields remain growing up in weeds. Last week of June we had good hay making weather, with a good crop. May planted corn looks from fair to good. Oats headed out well, but looks to be a short crop. Grass is plentiful.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

June was a fair month. We had several inches rain on the 4th, a few light showers later in the month. Corn is growing fast, early corn over knee high. Hay making is on the go, with a heavy yield. Oats headed out, very growing weather.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather has cleared up a little and not so much rain. Planting is about all done, and people are cultivating. The first crop hay is pretty well under way, which was a heavy crop, some making over a 100 bales an acre.

New Glarus, Wisconsin, by Jonas E. Hershberger

We had humid weather a week before a storm on the 16th that felled many trees. Cool last part of the month. Hay slow in drying. Early oats is heading out. Corn looks nice.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

Early sown oats is heading out. Corn is being cultivated and looks good. Hay is being cut and is a good crop, but is not very good drying weather so far in June. Some rain couple times a week and quite a lot of cloudy and cool days last part of June.

Oxford County, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

Most of June was warm and dry. After the weather cleared on June 5th, allowing farmers to finish planting, we had only several quarter inch showers until June 28th when it rained 1½ inches. Some areas to the north and south had more rain during June as it rained in streaks. Crops look very good. Hay is plentiful and better than half has been put away with little or no rain on it. Oats is heading with early oats in head, and much of the corn is knee-high. Tomatoes look very good with a dark green colour. Feed prices are at an all-time high, but the price of weaner pigs is dropping due to the high cost of feeding them. The strawberry season was short with the demand far exceeding the supply.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Martha M. Miller

Lovely weather the beginning of June, hardly had any rain, except for the last few days, otherwise it was fair. Some farmers have cut their hay, and are putting it in when weather permits. Corn and oats are up nice and everything else is growing fast. A lot of people have lettuce, onions and radishes to eat out of the garden. Strawberries have been in full swing since the middle of the month. They sell for 50¢ to 55¢ a quart, right at home. Are not too plentiful.

Chesley, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

July 2 - Yesterday was a Canadian Holiday. They celebrate it the same as July 4th in the U. S. Wet weather is holding haying back considerably here, although the sun was shining the last three days.

We have just returned from a two week trip to Ohio and Tennessee. Ohio is very wet around Toledo. Tennessee has very little grain on account of wet weather last fall and this spring. They do have

thousands of acres of good looking soybeans. Maybe our protein prices will drop by late summer.

Did you know that a lawnmower is a dangerous machine? In our settlement it has cost part of two fingers and one toe in the last two years by playing with a reel type push mower. Three mishaps! the most recent was our daughter losing the first joint of the right index finger.

Milverton, Ontario, Canada, by Israel Kuepfer

We had a nice June with about 3 in. of rain. Men are started with the haying.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

The first week of June had a lot of damp and rainy weather. During the remainder of the month it was mostly warm and sunny, till last week it was rainy off and on again. The warm weather was very good for the crops and gardens. Also quite a bit of hay was put away, but some farmers are still not finished. Strawberries are a good crop. Peas are just starting but also look promising.

## OUR SENIOR MEMBERS BORN IN OR BEFORE 1893

## Dover, Delaware

Aug. 23, 1880 - Daniel S. Mast, Dover, R2, Dela.

May 23, 1884 - Manasses Slaubaugh, Wyoming R1

Aug. 24, 1884 - Dea. John M. Beachy, Dover R2

Oct. 14, 1885 - Annie, widow of Stephen King  
Wyoming R1

Feb. 21, 1886 - Eva Miller, Dover R2

Nov. 6, 1889 - Eli S. Miller, Dover R2

March 12, 1891 - Eliza Miller, Dover R2

April 28, 1981 - John J. Yoder, Dover R2

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

Aug. 15, 1884 - Sarah, widow of Daniel Zook  
Mechanicsville R2, Md.

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Oct. 17, 1889 - Menno D. Swarey

Oct. 30, 1893 - Elam G. Stoltzfus

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Dec. 7, 1884 - Joseph Hostetler

April 3, 1887 - Miss Katie M. Peachey

April 8, 1887 - Samuel Sharp

May 2, 1888 - Mary, widow of Josiah H. Peachey

Oct. 4, 1890 - Daniel Y. Peachey

Oct. 24, 1890 - Lizzie, widow of Bish. Noah D. Yoder  
Katie M. Peachey and Widow Lizzie Yoder are sisters.

## New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

Oct. 3, 1881 - Isaac Y. Byler, New Wilmington

May 12, 1887 - John B. Kurtz, Volant R3

Oct. 9, 1888 - Jacob S. Byler, New Wilmington

Sept. 23, 1891 - Mrs. Fannie Kurtz, New Wilmington

May 24, 1890 - Mrs. Anna M. Byler, New Wilmington

July 15, 1891 - Mrs. Jonathan D. Byler, New Wilmington R1

Dec. 12, 1892 - John E. Byler, New Wilmington

May 2, 1893 - Jonathan D. Byler, New Wilmington R1

## Conewango Valley, New York

Oct. 2, 1889 - Ben Y. Yoder, age 83

Feb. 14, 1891 - Bishop Ben L. Shetler, age 82

## Stuarts Draft, Virginia

May 12, 1879 - John B. Yoder, Stuarts Draft, Va.

Dec. 10, 1881 - Sarah Yoder, Stuarts Draft, Va.

March 17, 1885 - Lydianne Stutzman, Stuarts Draft, Va.

March 17, 1885 - Peter J. Kinsinger, Staunton, Va.

April 14, 1887 - Mrs. Gid Byler, Staunton, Va.

May 26, 1887 - Ed Mast, Stuarts Draft, Va.

July 1, 1889 - Jake Stutzman

Aug. 16, 1889 - Noah Mast, Stuarts Draft, Va.

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Nov. 21, 1881 - Benjamin Summy, Star Rt., Springs  
c/o Ray S. Kinsinger

March 19, 1887 - Mrs. Sam U. Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.

Aug. 10, 1887 - Urias A. Kinsinger, Salisbury R1, Pa.

Feb. 16, 1890 - Mrs. Mary Yoder, Grantsville, Md.

March 31, 1890 - Sam U. Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.

Dec. 19, 1890 - Mrs. Effie Yoder, Salisbury R1, Pa.

Nov. 22, 1892 - Albert U. Yoder, Grantsville, Md.

## Geauga County, Ohio

May 12, 1886 - John J. Fisher

April 1, - Lizzie Ann (Mullet), widow of  
Mose Troyer

Nov. - Joe S. Weaver

- Amanda Y. (Byler) Stutzman, 84

## Ashland County, Ohio

Jan. 23, 1883 - John Keim, Ashland, age 90

Jan. 14, 1891 - Isaac Yoder, Greenwich, age 82

## Welda, Kansas

Jan. 7, 1885 - Barbara, widow of Bish. John A. Yoder

Sept. 30, 1887 - Joni A. Yoder, Welda, Kansas

## Hutchinson, Kansas

March 15, 1878 - Dea. David Miller

Sept. 10, 1891 - Sam Beachy

Jan. 24, 1892 - William Miller

Dec. 24, 1892 - Mrs. William (Sarah) Miller

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

## Men

Sept. 19, 1880 – Moses B. King, Honey Brook R1  
 March 16, 1882 – Daniel S. King, Narvon R2, Pa.  
 Feb. 17, 1883 – Stephen M. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 7, 1885 – Moses Lapp, Gap R1, Pa.  
 July 5, 1885 – John M. Fisher, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Sept. 3, 1885 – Henry U. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.  
 May 3, 1886 – Amos R. Glick, Geist Rd., Lancaster  
 June 30, 1886 – David B. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1,  
 Dec. 14, 1886 – Henry B. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Aug. 1, 1887 – Amos U. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Oct. 17, 1887 – John F. Smoker, East Earl R1, Pa.  
 Oct. 28, 1887 – Isaac B. Zook, Christiana R1, Pa.  
 Sept. 21, 1888 – Amos L. Beiler, Narvon R2, Pa.  
 Nov. 17, 1888 – Jacob B. Lapp, Gordonville R1  
 Dec. 10, 1888 – Aaron Esh, Leola R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 21, 1889 – Christian M. Lapp, New Holland R2  
 Nov. 20, 1889 – Noah D. Zook, Old Phila. Pike, Lanc.  
 Jan. 7, 1890 – Stephen K. Fisher, Honey Brook R1  
 Jan. 19, 1890 – John F. Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand R1  
 Jan. 28, 1890 – David B. Fisher, Christiana R1  
 Feb. 21, 1890 – Daniel U. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1  
 March 11, 1890 – Ezra D. Beiler, Ronks R1  
 March 30, 1890 – Christian S. Beiler, Gordonville R1  
 Aug. 18, 1890 – Samuel E. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1  
 Sept. 25, 1890 – Henry Z. Fisher, Paradise R1  
 Oct. 6, 1890 – Daniel B. Esh, Gordonville R1  
 Nov. 11, 1890 – Jephtha Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3  
 Dec. 14, 1890 – Daniel L. Esh, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 June 26, 1891 – Eli S. King, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 June 27, 1891 – Moses S. King, Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Sept. 7, 1891 – Emanuel S. Stoltzfus, Churchtown  
 Oct. 3, 1891 – Isaac S. King, Newport Rd., Leola  
 Nov. 25, 1891 – Josiah L. Beiler, Kinzers R1, Pa.  
 July 13, 1892 – John R. Beiler, Kinzers R1, Pa.  
 Aug. 27, 1892 – Jonathan Zook, Gridley Rd., Lanc.  
 Nov. 24, 1892 – Benj. S. Esh, Newport Rd., Leola  
 Jan. 28, 1893 – Henry S. Lantz, Leola R1  
 July 14, 1893 – Daniel K. Smoker, Ronks R1  
 Sept. 15, 1893 – Abram L. Beiler, Kinzers R1  
 Sept. 24, 1893 – Benjamin M. Kauffman, Christiana R1

## Women

Sept. 25, 1872 – Salina, widow of Enos Stoltzfus  
 Lancaster R4, Pa.  
 July 23, 1877 – Barbara Zook, Lancaster R4, Pa.  
 March 7, 1878 – Barbara, wife of Daniel K. Smoker  
 Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Feb. 16, 1884 – Fannie, widow of David M. King  
 Kinzers R1, Pa.  
 July 14, 1884 – Arie, widow of Benjamin E. Stoltzfus  
 Kirkwood R1, Pa.  
 Dec. 25, 1884 – Sarah, widow of Daniel E. Stoltzfus  
 Bird-in-Hand, Pa.  
 May 30, 1885 – Emma, widow of Jonas E. Stoltzfus  
 Narvon R1, Pa.  
 July 3, 1886 – Fannie, wife of Amos U. Stoltzfus  
 Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Oct. 24, 1887 – Sallie, widow of Joseph E. Stoltzfus  
 Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.  
 May 12, 1888 – Rachel, wife of Moses Lapp  
 Gap R1, Pa.

Dec. 25, 1888 – Mary, widow of Daniel Stoltzfus  
 Leola R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 4, 1889 – Fannie, wife of Amos R. Glick  
 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.  
 Sept. 17, 1889 – Esther King, Kinzers R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 29, 1890 – Emma, wife of John F. Smoker  
 East Earl R1, Pa.  
 Aug. 6, 1890 – Rebecca, widow of Samuel Smucker  
 Gordonville R1, Pa.  
 Aug. 24, 1890 – Rebecca, widow of Amos Petersheim  
 Strasburg R1, Pa.  
 Aug. 28, 1890 – Annie, wife of Amos L. Beiler  
 Narvon R2, Pa.  
 Dec. 17, 1890 – Lizzie, widow of Jacob F. Lapp  
 Gap R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 14, 1891 – Annie, widow of John B. Miller  
 Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.  
 Feb. 6, 1891 – Susie, wife of Eli S. King  
 Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Dec. 8, 1891 – Barbara, wife of John R. Beiler  
 Kinzers R1, Pa.  
 Jan. 17, 1892 – Rebecca, widow of Daniel M. Fisher  
 Lancaster R4, Pa.  
 April 19, 1892 – Emma, widow of Jesse Lapp  
 Gordonville R1, Pa.  
 Sept. 7, 1892 – Annie, wife of Sam E. Stoltzfus  
 Gordonville R1, Pa.  
 Dec. 23, 1892 – Katie, widow of Henry F. Stoltzfus  
 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.  
 Jan. 8, 1893 – Lydia, wife of Josiah L. Beiler  
 Kinzers R1  
 Jan. 31, 1893 – Fannie, wife of Emanuel S. Stoltzfus  
 Churchtown  
 March 19, 1893 – Lydia, widow of Jonathan L. Beiler  
 Quarryville R3  
 April 16, 1893 – Cora, wife of Christ Lapp, Intercourse  
 June 21, 1893 – Rachel, wife of Christ Lapp,  
 New Holland R2  
 Aug. 5, 1893 – Mary, wife of Isaac B. Zook,  
 Christiana R1  
 Dec. 30, 1893 – Annie, widow of Isaac P. Stoltzfus  
 Gordonville R1

## COUPLES AGE 80 AND OVER

## Marriage date

Nov. 25, 1909 – Amos R. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Glick  
 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.  
 Dec. 16, 1909 – John F. and Emma (Zook) Smoker  
 East Earl R1, Pa.  
 Nov. 24, 1910 – Amos L. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Beiler  
 Narvon R2, Pa.  
 Nov. 29, 1910 – Moses and Rachel (Blank) Lapp  
 Gap R1, Pa.  
 Dec. 14, 1911 – Amos U. and Fannie (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
 Ronks R1, Pa.  
 Nov. 27, 1913 – Emanuel S. and Fannie (Stoltzfus)  
 Stoltzfus, Churchtown  
 Nov. 13, 1913 – Christian M. and Rachel (Lapp)  
 Lapp, New Holland R2  
 Nov. 19, 1914 – Josiah L. and Lydia (Smoker)  
 Beiler, Kinzers R1  
 Dec. 10, 1918 – Isaac B. and Mary (King) Zook,  
 Christiana R1



## Lanc. Co. Couples 80 &amp; over, Continued

- Daniel K. and Barbara (Hostetler)  
(King) Smoker, Ronks R1
  - Dec. 3, 1959 - John R. and Barbara (Smoker) King,  
Beiler, Kinzers R1, Pa.
  - March 26, 1963 - Samuel E. and Annie (Stoltzfus)  
Petersheim, Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1
  - May 14, 1963 - Eli S. and Susie (Fisher) Beiler,  
King, King, Ronks R1, Pa.
- LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana
- Dec. 17, 1875 - Samuel J. Christner, Shipshewana R2
  - Jan. 16, 1878 - Mrs. Sam Y. (Anna) Lehman, LaGrange
  - Oct. 3, 1879 - Mrs. Abner (Barbara) Miller  
Millersburg, Ind.
  - Jan. 24, 1881 - Mrs. Jacob J. (Fannie) Lambright  
Topeka R1, Ind.
  - March 8, 1881 - Menno J. Bontrager, Middlebury,
  - Aug. 16, 1882 - Mrs. Joe N. (Delilah) Bontrager  
Millersburg R1, Ind.
  - Sept. 23, 1883 - Mrs. Uriah (Rebecca) Miller  
Shipshewana R1, Ind.
  - Jan. 29, 1883 - Mrs. Joseph (Fannie) Slabach  
Middlebury R2, Ind.
  - Feb. 8, 1883 - John I. Bontrager, Shipshewana, Ind.
  - Oct. 15, 1883 - Joseph H. Yoder, Middlebury, Ind.
  - Oct. 18, 1883 - Mrs. Noah N. (Lizzie) Miller,  
Goshen R1, Ind.
  - Dec. 12, 1883 - Mrs. Edward (Anna) Hochstetler, Howe
  - June 4, 1884 - Jacob R. Miller, Middlebury R1
  - Jan. 31, 1885 - Mrs. Ben (Lizzie) Bontrager, Topeka
  - Feb. 19, 1885 - Dea. Moses F. Miller, Millersburg R1
  - May 22, 1886 - Andrew Eash, Shipshewana R2, Ind.
  - July 29, 1886 - Mrs. David V. (Maryann) Hochstetler  
Topeka R1, Ind.
  - July 31, 1886 - John A. Miller, Howe R3, Ind.
  - Nov. 15, 1886 - Mrs. Joe (Lydia) Bontrager  
Middlebury R1, Ind.
  - April 26, 1887 - Al J. Kauffman, Middlebury R1, Ind.
  - May 10, 1887 - Mrs. Al J. (Clara) Kauffman, Middleb.
  - Nov. 6, 1887 - Mrs. Levi (Mary) Mast, Topeka R2,
  - Nov. 21, 1887 - Mrs. John S. (Martha) Miller, Topeka
  - Dec. 16, 1887 - Osa Schlabach, Goshen R1, Ind.
  - July 14, 1888 - David J. Kauffman, Shipshewana
  - Nov. 4, 1888 - Mrs. David R. (Lydia) Bontrager  
Millersburg R1, Ind.
  - Dec. 13, 1888 - Mrs. Henry L. (Susie) Miller, Topeka
  - March 2, 1889 - Servin J. Kauffman, Middlebury R2
  - April 8, 1889 - Mrs. Mose D. (Barbara) Glick, Goshen
  - Sept. 4, 1889 - Mrs. Andrew (Lydia) Miller  
Middlebury R1
  - Sept. 5, 1889 - Samuel J. Barkman, LaGrange R4
  - Sept. 27, 1889 - Levi E. Miller, Shipshewana, Ind.
  - Nov. 1, 1889 - Dea. Ervin J. Miller, LaGrange R1
  - Nov. 30, 1889 - Dea. Menno E. Herschberger  
Topeka R1, Ind.
  - Feb. 4, 1890 - Dea. Levi B. Hostetler  
Shipshewana R1, Ind.
  - March 4, 1890 - Mrs. Menno J.S. (Susie) Yoder  
Topeka R2, Ind.
  - pt. 1, 1890 - Jacob S. Schlabach, Topeka R2
  - 18, 1890 - Bish. Dan B. Bontrager, LaGrange R4

## COUPLES MARRIED 50 YEARS OR MORE

## Marriage date

- Nov. 8, 1916 - William D. and Susie (Yoder) Yoder  
Topeka R1, Ind.
- Feb. 15, 1917 - David J. and Susie (Mast) Mast  
Middlebury R1, Ind.
- March 8, 1917 - Elmer T. and Anna (Miller) Miller  
Goshen R1, Ind.
- Oct. 29, 1917 - Eli R. and Lovina (Burkholder) Miller  
Goshen R1, Ind.
- Dec. 13, 1917 - Menno S. and Elizabeth (Yoder)  
Beachy, Millersburg R1, Ind.
- Dec. 24, 1917 - Noah S. and Elizabeth (Glick) Frye  
Wolcottville R1, Ind.
- Jan. 10, 1918 - Tobias M. and Mattie (Troyer)  
Hochstetler, Topeka R2, Ind.
- Jan. 10, 1918 - Amos S. and Edna C. (Yoder) Miller  
Topeka R2, Ind.
- Jan. 24, 1918 - Jacob E. and Mary (Christner)  
Hochstetler, Shipshewana R2, Ind.
- Jan. 31, 1918 - Levi D. and Amelia (Lehman) Mast  
Topeka R1, Ind.
- Feb. 7, 1918 - Harry M. and Barbara (Miller) Troyer  
Shipshewana R2, Ind.
- Feb. 13, 1918 - William S. and Edna (Miller) Miller  
Topeka R2, Ind.
- Feb. 20, 1919 - Dan A. and Anna (Yoder) Beachy  
Topeka R2, Ind.
- Feb. 27, 1919 - Ezra L. and Susie (Lehman) Bontrager  
Middlebury R1, Ind.
- March 13, 1919 - Noah J. and Mattie (Yoder) Yoder  
Shipshewana R1, Ind.

## Adams County, Indiana

- Nov. 13, 1885 - Mrs. Christian P. Neuenschwander  
Berne R2
- June 17, 1887 - Mrs. Samuel J. Christner, Geneva R1
- May 27, 1888 - Samuel J. Christner, Geneva R1
- July 5, 1889 - Christian P. Neuenschwander, Berne R2
- Jan. 22, 1889 - Daniel J. Schwartz, Geneva R2
- Sept. 20, 1890 - Mrs. Margaret P. Schwartz, Geneva R1
- Nov. 22, 1890 - Mrs. Anna J. Schwartz, Berne R2
- 1890 - Mrs. Rachel Steckly, Geneva R2
- June 6, 1892 - Mrs. Barbara J. Eicher, Monroe R1

## MARRIED 50 YEARS OR MORE

## Marriage Date

- Oct. 12, 1907 - Samuel J. and Elizabeth (Miller)  
Christner, Geneva R1
- Dec. 23, 1915 - Joseph L. and Elizabeth (Wickey)  
Schwartz, Monroe R1
- Dec. 28, 1919 - Jacob L. and Mandy (Herschberger)  
Shetler, Monroe R1
- Nov. 20, 1921 - Alvin J. and Lydia (Hochstetler)  
Yoder, Berne R2
- Feb. 8, 1923 - John and Katie (Coblentz) Hilty,  
Geneva R2

## Buchanan County, Iowa

- May 7, 1886 - Mrs. Noah (Lovina) Plank
- Dec. 18, 1890 - Mrs. Amos A.J. (Fannie) Yoder

## Arthur, Illinois

Aug. 28, 1880 - Mrs. Rebecca Schrock  
 Aug. 29, 1880 - David A. Troyer  
 June 14, 1881 - Mrs. Ben (Katie) Yoder  
 Feb. 18, 1883 - Mrs. John (Lizzie) Miller  
 Dec. 12, 1886 - Mrs. Ammon B. (Mattie) Miller  
 Jan. 2, 1887 - Ammon B. Miller  
 Feb. 27, 1887 - Mrs. Sam N. (Fanny) Beachy  
 1888 - Mrs. Joni (Mary) Plank  
 July 18, 1888 - Eli M. Otto  
 Sept. 17, 1889 - Mrs. Minnie Schrock  
 July 14, 1890 - Mrs. John (Katie) Mast  
 Jan. 18, 1891 - Mrs. Benjamin (Lizzie) Helmuth  
 March 6, 1891 - Mrs. Jonas L. (Sadie) Mast  
 Dec. 19, 1892 - Mrs. Henry B. (Lizzie) Miller  
 Aug. 25, 1892 - Miss Anna Beachy  
 Sept. 20, 1892 - Levi B. Miller  
 Jan. 12, 1893 - Mrs. Jeff (Rebecca) Kaufman  
 Jan. 16, 1893 - Mrs. Dan (Susan) Otto  
 July 23, 1893 - Mrs. David A. (Anna) Troyer

## FIFTY YEARS OF MARRIAGE

## Marriage Date

Nov. 30, 1916 - William B. and Ella (Kaufman) Schrock  
 Dec. 17, 1916 - Obed and Anna H. (Mast) Diener  
 Feb. 6, 1917 - Jeff and Rebecca S. (Miller) Kaufman  
 Oct. 23, 1919 - Jacob E. and Katie (Diener) Herschberger  
 Dec. 18, 1919 - Noah J. and Mattie J. (Miller) Helmuth  
 Jan. 30, 1919 - Simeon and Fannie (Stutzman) Utzy  
 Sept. 2, 1920 - Levi G. and Carrie (Kaufman) Miller  
 Jan. 25, 1921 - Menno A. and Barbara (Gingerich) Diener  
 March 17, 1921 - Aaron A. and Lena G. (Kaufman) Miller  
 March 26, 1922 - Joel A. and Katieann (Schlabaugh) Kaufman  
 Jan. 25, 1923 - Cris J. and Edna (Bontrager) Helmuth  
 Oct. 18, 1923 - Herbert G. and Nancy J. (Kaufman) Miller  
 Dec. 20, 1923 - Adlai B. and Katie H. (Mast) Miller

## Johnson County, Iowa

Mrs. Mary Ann Miller  
 Lydia Bender (single)  
 Mrs. John (Suvilla) Overholt  
 Mrs. Harry (Lizzie) Miller  
 Mrs. Mose (Dora) Weaver  
 Mrs. Adam (Anna) Miller  
 Pre. Chris B. Miller  
 Mrs. Enos (Annie) Yoder  
 Mrs. John (Mary) Yoder  
 Mrs. Jonas (Lena) Yoder  
 Dennis J. Miller  
 John D. Gingerich  
 Mrs. Menno I. (Susan) Miller

## Clark, Missouri

May 31, 1885 - Lena, widow of Jacob J. Gingerich  
 Aug. 13, 1890 - Elizabeth, widow of Edward Petersheim

## MARRIED OVER 50 YEARS

John Y. Miller and  
 Mary A. Bontrager  
 were married October 31, 1920

## THE KAUFFMAN FAMILY

A copy from Annals of the Conestoga Valley

Jacob Kauffman Born 1737 his Life Companion  
 unknown his children as follows:

1 Christian Born May 25, 1764, died 1831, married  
 Anna Fisher

2 Barbara Born Oct. 25, 1765

3 Jacob Born Oct. 28, 1776 He had one son Jacob  
 married Anna Kurtz

4 Henry Born July 25, 1770 Died in 1846 He lived in  
 Juniata

5 David Born June 22, 1771 Died 1819 He reared a  
 Family in Mifflin Co., Pa.

6 Daniel Born Jan. 27, 1773 Died 1853 He married a  
 Hooley in Juniata Co., Pa.

7 John Born July 29, 1774, Died -

Christian Kauffman the eldest child of Jacob  
 Kauffman migrated in 1802 from the vicinity of Malvern  
 in Chester Co. to Mifflin Co. near Allensville.

## Children:

1 Magdalena Born April 27, 1789 Married David  
 Hertzler of Mattawana Pa.

2 Jacob Born Oct. 7, 1790 Died 1806

3 David Born August 24, 1792

4 Elizabeth Born July 5, 1794 Died 1856 Married  
 Christian Hartzler of Belleville Pa.

5 Christian Born April 4, 1796 Married Nancy  
 Hertzler of Mifflin Co., Pa.

6 Samuel Born April 4, 1796 Married Sarah Lapp of  
 Gordonville, Pa. Born Jan. 15, 1801  
 (my Great-grandfather)

7 Fanny Born Aug. 17, 1800 Married Christian  
 Yoder lived in Ohio

8 Nancy Born Aug. 17, 1800 a twin Married Christian  
 Lapp Second marriage to a Yoder

9 John Born Oct. 24, 1802 Married Barbara King of  
 Belleville Pa.

## Family of my Great-grandparents:

Samuel Kauffman Born April 4, 1796 and

Sarah Lapp Kauffman Born Jan. 15, 1801

1 John Born Oct. 19, 1821 Married Susan King  
 Born April 27, 1822

2 Gideon Born March 25, 1824 Married Susan Fisher  
 Born Oct. 24, 1825

3 Jonathan Born Dec. 10, 1826 Married Anna King  
 Born 1835 (Minister)

4 Samuel Born Jan. 24, 1830 Married Barbara  
 Stoltzfus Born Feb. 2, 1832

5 Elizabeth Born Oct. 11, 1832 Married Jonathan  
 Stoltzfus (my Grandparents)

6 Michael Born Dec. 7, 1838 Married Mary Stoltzfus  
 Born May 31, 1840

7 Christian Born Feb. 5, 1838 Married Rachael  
 Stoltzfus Born Feb. 28, 1842

8 Nancy Born Nov. 24, 1840 Married Jacob Stoltzfus  
 (died at Railroad)

9 Sarah Born Dec. 24, 1843 Married Amos Mast  
 Born Nov. 12, 1842

Grandfather Jonathan Stoltzfus Born April 5, 1828  
 Died Jan. 12, 1908 Age 79 yr. 9 mo. 7 da.

Grandmother Elizabeth (Kauffman) Stoltzfus Born  
 Sept. 11, 1832 Died April 2, 1914 Age 81 yr 6 mo 21 da.



## THE KAUFFMAN FAMILY, Continued

Their children: Samuel, Gideon, David, Nancy (my mother), Isaac, Jonathan Jr., Elizabeth.

Grandmother, Elizabeth (Kauffman) Stoltzfus daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Lapp) Kauffman, mentions her parents moving from Malvern, Chester Co., Pa. to Mifflin Co. in the year 1832, she was born the same year. Three years later in 1835 they moved to Union Co., Pa., then 10 years later in 1845 they moved to Paradise, Pa., near Pequea Creek. Grandmother recalls their moving to Paradise, Pa. The mother and children and house furniture went by Canal Boat from Lewisburg to Harrisburg. The horses would pull the boat, going through locks one by one. I suppose the journey took several days. She remarked about going through the locks. The gates were opened and horses hitched again when their boat had come to a lower level. While boats going northward would pull into the locks and gates were closed raising them to a higher level, and hitched again to journey northward.

Grandmother mentioned when they came to Harrisburg they took the railroad train for Lancaster. While waiting at the station at Harrisburg the train came puffing along and the children ran back into the station, having never seen a railroad train before. So they came to Lancaster by train. Mother and children decided to walk to Paradise. While coming down through Bridgeport on the Old Road about a half mile up the hill they stopped at a watering trough for a fresh drink of water. Then they headed for Bird-in-Hand and the Gordonville Road for Paradise, a distance of about 12 miles.

Remembrances of Grandparents, Jonathan and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Stoltzfus. Their children were Samuel, Gideon (Bishop), David, Nancy (my mother), Isaac, Jonathan Jr., and Elizabeth. Jonathan Jr. was ordained as minister in 1907. They had lived on the old Stoltzfus Homestead with their parents. About 30 years later he left the ministry and the Old Order Church with his family and joined Jehovah's Witness. They sold the old homestead soon afterwards, so Grandmother was obligated to leave the old Stoltzfus Homestead. She lived with my mother, Nancie, Ben S. Beilers, the remainder of her life. I being at home yet, often would listen to her reciting about happenings of long ago. With all her worries and shortcomings she tried to be cheerful. Sometimes she would sing from the old hymns. One that I can well remember was "Mein Frohlich Herz Das Treibt Mich An Zu Singen," and another I remember was "Gadenk On Mich O Herr, Gadenk On Mich."

Dear Grandmother was called away from this earthly life on April 2, 1914, to that Great Beyond where we have hopes she will have no more trials, nor sorrows, nor sufferings, nor tribulations, yes to meet her Savior, Jesus Christ, as she has promised in her youth. To be remembered.

She was buried in Myers Cemetery along side Grandfather's grave. Bishop John Zook had part of her funeral sermon, Dan M. Stoltzfus of Lower Pequea read a hymn.

Written by a Grandson

## Newspaper clipping, submitted by Andrew M. Miller, 1849 SALE BILL OFFERS Hartville, Ohio FARM EQUIPMENT LIVESTOCK, SLAVES

(Editor's Note: J. C. Byler, Spring Mills farmer, brought to the Centre Democrat office Saturday morning a copy of a sale bill originally published in 1849. The bill was reprinted in an old newspaper, the date and name of which Mr. Byler did not know. However, the article was captioned "What Farmers Sold in 1849," and the sale bill was reproduced without comment. It is reprinted below.)

"Having sold my farm, and as I am leaving for Oregon territory by oxen team on March 1, 1849, I will sell all my personal peoperty except two oxen teams, Busk and Ben, Lon and Jerry, consisting of the following: Two milk cows, 1 grey mare and colt, 1 pair of oxen, 1 yoke, 1 baby yoke, 2 ox carts, 1 iron plow with wood mole board, 10-foot fence rails, 1 60-gallon soap kettle, 85 sugar troughs made of white ash timber, 10 gallons of maple syrup, 2 spinning wheels, 30 pounds of mutton tallow, 1 large loom made by Jerry Wilson, 300 poles, 100 split hoops, 100 empty barrels, 1 32-gallon barrel of Johnson-Miller whiskey 7 years old; 20 gallons of apple brandy, 1 40-gallon copper still, 4 sides of oak-tanned leather, 1 dozen wooden pitchforks, a one-half interest in tan yards, 1 32-calibre rifle, bullet molds and powder horn, rifle made by Ben Miller, 50 gallons of soft soap, hams, bacon and lard, 40 gallons of sorghum molasses, 6 head of fox hounds, all soft mouthed but one.

At the same time I will sell my 8 Negro slaves; 2 men, 35 years and 50 years old; 2 boys, 12 and 18 years old; 2 mulatto women, 40 and 30 years old. Must sell all together to same party, as I will not separate them.

Terms of sale: Cash in hand or note to draw 4 per cent interest with Bob McConnel security. My home is 2 miles south of Versailles, Kentucky, on McConnel Ferry pike. Sale will begin at 8 o'clock a.m. plenty to eat and drink.

Writings from an old Hertzler Bible

submitted by Andrew M. Miller

This Bible is the property of Adam Hertzler of bratten Township Mifflin County Penna, Who inherit it From his Father David and Catharine (Reichbach) Hertzler of the above named Township Who inherit it from his Father Jacob and Barbara (Yoder) Hertzler do Upier Berne Township Berks County Panna, Who was the son of Jacob and Catharine Hertzler of the said Township of Berne, Who arrived in Philadelphia Penna, Sept 9th, 1749 in the ship Saint Andrew and were natives of,

Switzerland Europe

Adam Hertzler Born Nov, 18th, 1821 and Died Dec, 15th, 1885 This Bible was printed in 1744 Printed in Swiss German.

Andrew M. Miller and wife Mary (Yoder) Miller are the present owners as Mary (Yoder) Miller is a descendant of the Hertzlers. "We also have at present a Christoph Saur Bible printed 1743, Germantown, Pa.

Liebe Freunde in Christus! Juni 8, 1973

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Zum ersten Mal besuchten wir die  
U. S. H. und haben durch die Familie  
Stöpi eine freundliche Einladung  
in Eure Gemeinde erhalten.

Wir waren sehr erfreut die Predigt  
in deutsch zu hören, dabei haben wir  
festgestellt, daß das Evangelium von  
Jesus Christus verkündigt wird. Nach  
der Predigt haben wir uns gut in deutsch  
unterhalten und uns gut verstanden,  
dabei haben wir Einladungen für Haus-  
besuche erhalten. Wir sind in einigen  
Häusern gewesen und haben uns sehr  
gefreut über die freundliche Aufnahme und  
gute bewirtung in Euren Häusern.

Gerne sind wir wieder Gäste bei  
Euch, wenn wir wieder nach Amerika

kommen. „Einer ist Euer Meister, Christus, Ihr aber seid  
alle Brüder“ Matthäi 23:8.

Anneliere + Jakob Gascho

8070 Ingolstadt, Lukas Str. 2  
Germany





*Freuet euch des Herrn. Ps. 33:1*

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

by Amos L. Fisher

### THE SCHMUCKER FAMILY

Continued from last month

In the beginning of the articles published of the Schmucker Family there were six children of the emigrant Christian Schmucker Family, one of which we know very little about, which was Jacob Schmucker. It appears that he moved to Mifflin County, Penna. in the early part of the nineteenth century.

#### End of the Schmucker Family

#### The Rickenbach Family

Before we go into further details of any other family there are a few comments to be made of the Rickenbach Family, as you noticed in the May issue of the 1972 volume of THE DIARY, there appeared the name of our ancestor, Henry Reickenbach, who came to America on the ship Friendship which sailed from Rotterdam, and landed at Philadelphia September 23, 1740. All the information we had at that time was that his will was filed for probate in April of 1741 in Leacock Township (Leacock and Upper Leacock Townships were one till 1833), and lists six children, namely: Elizabeth, Adam, John, Jacob, Margert, and Henry. As we had mentioned, (1) Elizabeth Reickenbach married to Deacon Hans, or John, Kurtz of Upper Bern Township, Berks County; (2) Adam lived at one time in Berks County and moved to Chester County about 1770, and died there; (3) John lived in Berks County but later moved to Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County; (4) Jacob moved to Manor Township, Lancaster County and died without any children, in 1804; (5) Margert married to Samuel Baer, also moved to Manor Township; and (6) Henry Reickenbach Jr., about which we know very little.

A very interesting account appears in the book by Faust and Brumbaugh entitled "List of Swiss Emigrants to the American Colonies." A lot of time and effort was spent copying and abstracting records and documents in the State Archives of Zurich, Switzerland. As we know, in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries Switzerland was ruled by the state church, which was Catholic and demanded infant baptism. It was here that the Reformation took place, under leaders such as Conrad Grebel, Zwingli, Felix Manz, and many many others. Most of our ancestors fled from Switzerland before 1700 into Pfaltz, Germany. The country of Switzerland was overly populated, and encouraged emigration up to the year of 1733. They even offered soldiers to other countries. It was estimated that in 1740 about sixty nine thousand mercenary soldiers served in foreign armies, about twenty two thousand in French, twenty four thousand

in Austrain, thirteen thousand six hundred in Spanish, ten thousand six hundred in Sardinian, and twenty four thousand four hundred in Dutch service.

Add to these conditions periodic failures of crops, due to hailstones and floods, as in the Bernese Oberland, and no sentimental ties nor government restrictions could restrain the desire for emigrations. It is not surprising that at times this desire rose to a passion that threatened to depopulate large sections, and gave the government officials good cause for alarm. Such an epoch of emigration existed in Switzerland between 1730 and 1750, the high tide coming between 1734 and 1744.

There were people like J. P. Purry who advertised unoccupied land in America, encouraging the poor Swiss Anabaptist people to come to America, especially in Pennsylvania and Carolina. At this event Zurich acted quickly, issuing a decree November 3, 1734 forbidding her people to travel to Carolina and Pennsylvania, preventing the sale of property by those wishing to emigrate, proclaiming punishment of agents enticing people to emigrate, or distributing seductive literature. This was followed after a few months by a decree of January 29, 1735 which repeated the previous commands and added sterner measures, deprivation of citizenship and land rights forever, punishment also of the purchasers of property sold by emigrants, and close watch over and severe punishment of persons enticing others to leave. The decrees were posted in public places, yet Zurich, as records show, found it necessary to let large numbers depart.

The country of Switzerland is divided into states similar to our United States. These States are called cantons, and were under supervision of a Landvog (governor). The most affected cantons were those of Bern, Basel, Zurich, and Graubunden. In the canton, parishes (churches) were established in each village, town or city, under state regulations, and were enforcing infant baptism.

It was here, in the village of Zelingen, that our ancestor, Henry Reichenbach, his wife and family lived. It seems that he chose to stay in Switzerland rather than to move into Germany as did most of our ancestors some years before who made the move tax-free.

Faust and Brumbach have found a document in the Archives of Zurich of Henry (some places spelled Heini) Reichenbach of which we will try to give the exact account:

"From Heini Riggenbacher of Zegligen

44 years of age.

Ten percent tax on lb. 2420 worth of property

242: -

Pro manumissione for him and his wife 20. -

Ditto for their eight children each 5 pounds 40. -

302 lb.

Barbara Thommen his wife age 39 years

Their children

1 Elsath baptised July 30, 1724

2 Hans Adam baptised Nov. 18, 1726

3 Johannes baptised Oct. 24, 1728



4 Jacob baptised	June 25, 1730
5 Margereth baptised	Mar. 18, 1732
6 Heinrich baptised	May 22, 1735
7 Barbara baptised	Oct. 20, 1737
8 Anna baptised	Nov. 28, 1739

“(Lost his two youngest children on the voyage and his wife at Philadelphia, and proceeded to Conestoga where he died before 1748. His oldest daughter married Hans Kurtz and his two youngest children had Christian Gerber and Hans Gerber for guardians. His oldest son, Hans Adam, took a trip to Europe to Europe to collect an inheritance which his grandfather, Adam Thommen, deceased in 1743, had left to him and his brothers and sisters. He arrived in March 1749, but did not get the money till he returned with the proper legal documents in 1750. Although he was a harmless, even timid, young man he was both times forced to leave the Canton after a very short stay and spent the intervening time in Holland and Germany.)”

It is almost certain that the early Reickenbachs were members of the West Conestoga Church, of which the old Bishop David Beiler writes, to the best of his knowledge, as being the first Amish Church in America.

You will notice above the wife of Henry Reichenbach was Barbara Thommen which is spelled in the English language as Thomas. As you read above, she died at Philadelphia soon after their arrival, and had already buried two children in the sea. The father and the six remaining children proceeded to Leacock Township, now Upper Leacock Township, along the Conestoga Creek, where he died that same winter.

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bondage two hundred years and in the wilderness forty years. Back again in the promised land they were granted citizenship for around six hundred years. After the captivity the Jewish race was scattered, some tribes back again to Jerusalem, some lineages were elected to remain to bring the Great Messiah to earth, and some dwelt there to the doom of their day, or to the destruction of the great city. Perhaps by looking back to these Bible Histories we can gain some knowledge of why our Creator has willed it so, to remove his children to another place of abode after a certain period of time. The longer their stay at one place, the bolder each generation would get, and the more corrupt the body within. The same rule followed after the birth of Christ, and much the same is taking place in America today. The Christians of today must be regarded as pilgrims, the church grounds are tentative, some will move around too early, some will stay too late. The Master Mind above is like the small hand of a clock, “Langsam, aber sicher,”—Slow but sure. Only by the guidance of this Hand can a good decision be made.

Our Mother Church in Switzerland is said to have been born in 1525. From the beginning it suffered persecution by some of the most cruel methods the supreme demon could invent. Most of the early church

leaders, as well as faithful laymembers and family heads, lived a short life. This would set the destroyer at ease, or at rest, to say that in a short while it will all be stamped out. But much the other way, it only kindled the fire. In the meantime translations of the Bible into German,—a language the common man could read—became available, and the Gospel spread, as did the Church. Even while verdicts of death stared them in the face they became more pious, more ardent, more steadfast, and now driven back into remote places of the alps the last ones became harder to capture. In such a state the inside of the church body grew and prospered. But, lo and behold! the time did come that they must leave the much beloved, and from the heart desired, fatherland. After one and one half century the exodus came.

In our files we have half a dozen books besides another half dozen texts which are excellent references to this event. Space would not permit us to present all this invaluable information so we will quote only a few. Should a reader desire to learn more of these conditions we will introduce a few books which are not too lengthy to follow and the contents are good.<sup>1</sup>

Perhaps the one who can express and outline the event in the most actual manner is a man who experienced it himself. Although these narratives are very rare we are fortunate to have one in our files, contributed to THE DIARY by a friend. The incident is preserved in the book, “Bilder aus dem Pilgerleben,” Vol III, 1883.<sup>2</sup>

The writer continues, “Es war ein trauriger zug. Wir waren umgefahrt 700 personen, darunter familien mit 10 bis 12 kindern.—It was a sorrowful march. We were probably seven hundred persons, among us were families with ten or twelve children. As long as we were in the Bernese territory we were mocked and scoffed at on our way. We fared better as we reached the Jura and Basel regions. At Munsterthale the people greeted us friendlike, gave us drink, and food to eat, and sought to comfort us. A few have here already found a new home. From here the group scattered, some pressed on through France to be shipped away to America,<sup>3</sup> while others chose to descend down the Rhine to the lowlands and Holland, where there were already some of our brethren living.”<sup>4</sup>

Joseph F. Beiler — To be continued

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1. “Bernese Anabaptists,” by Delbert Gratz  
“Bernischen Taufer,” by Ernst Muller  
“Recherches Historiques sur les Anabaptists,”  
by Charles Mathiot  
“Mennonites in Europe,” by John Horsh

2. Page 218 of the 1971 Volume of THE DIARY

3. Although some talks may have been in the air about setting sail for America, it is doubtful if many, or if any, really accomplished it at this early date. It is much more probable that they found refuge in France.

4. In Holland there was before this time a strong Mennonite Church, who not only welcomed them, but gave them financial aid, and also at different times petitioned the Bernese authorities to be more tolerant with their fellow brethren or to grant them leave.



## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

### Preimmigration Conditions

- \*The Great Exodus
- \*World Governance
- \*Civil Rights Effect the Church
- \*The 1693 Schism

The more we study our early Amish Colonies in America, the more we notice a distinct difference in ways of settling, and organizing a church here. We note a difference in minor traditions, disciplines, and ordinances, which have grown into standards. Some were successful and some failed. There must be a reason for this.

We will note that in our previous shiplist studies there was an early colony that settled the Irish Creek Valley, and near vicinity of a 1737 group. A few years later it grew and spread northward, so that it was soon recognized as the Northkill Church. By this time it had a bishop and other church officials. It was so well organized that it gained the attention of the state proprietors (the Penns) who have contributed to this church twenty acres of ground to build a church house and a school house and for a burial plot.

Its congregational structure was so strong that it was worthy of an alms book, which was faithfully kept in the whole duration of the settlement, and transferred to western settlements, used continually for over a century. Surely this is the backbone of our American Heritage.

As we look back again to our shiplists we find that some of our immigrants have settled near the banks of the Conestoga Creek that ranged from just east of Lancaster to near Ephrata. Another colony settled the Cocalico Hills and Brecknock Township of both Lancaster and Berks Counties. These may

have settled just as early. Of these we have, as yet, no records of church leaders, nor of stable composition. We only know that a previously underestimated number have lived there, and many immigrants died there, but a major part has dwindled away.

It has been said recently that perhaps these colonies may not have had a stable ministry, but were more dependant on visiting ministers and even at times accepted ministers of outside rank. From the book "The Hallische Nachrichten" we clearly find a page that states that Pastor Muhlenberg of Berks County has visited the Mennonite Church at the Conestoga and Pequea where he conducted a meeting in a barn. After the meeting he was invited to come again. He was a renowned Lutheran pastor. This would be ample proof to the aforesaid theory, but perhaps this was an exception rather than a rule. To draw a clearer picture we need to turn back to conditions in Europe.

Much has been written concerning the Mennonites in Europe, which we first call Anabaptists and Swiss Brethren. For us the latter is most proper because our forefathers derive from Switzerland in large. To mark a beginning at 1525 to this work would prove a tedious job as well as an inaccurate product, because only a few, if any, of our ancestors can be traced back in a continuous line in the church respectively to that date. It must be remembered that in the first century of the Anabaptist movement often only a few members of a family have accepted this faith, more often only one in a family. The heads of the families were often taken captive, sometimes executed and the children were seized by state authorities and taken back to statehood again. Thus it was hard for a family line to form. Not until the middle sixteen hundreds do we find persistent family lines, and these were often broken, as Charles Mathoite writes in his Anabaptist History of France, Chapter 11, page 35: "In one family there were sometimes two or three Mennonites, the others remaining connected with the official Reformed Church. When an arrest was issued one had to be separated from his own people, see them whipped and branded with red hot irons or taken to prison. It is easily understood that the outlaws found sympathy and protection within their ranks." For reasons like this, besides some others, the much hunted, innocent, peace loving subjects of their Savior were not all stamped out in spite of the most cruel edicts and mandates elected upon them, but rather the church survived, it even grew and spread in this period of persecution.

### The Great Exodus

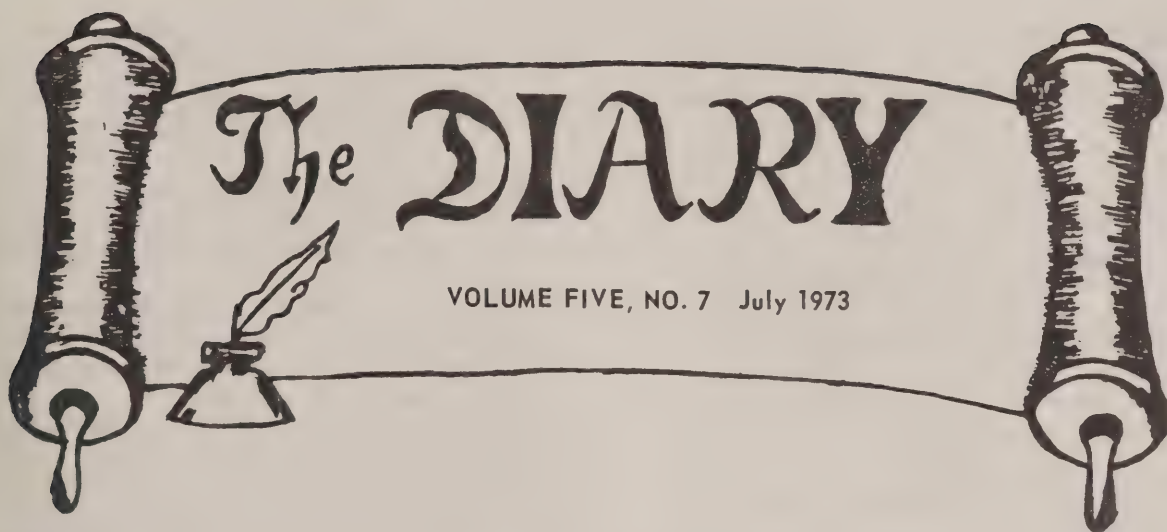
It has always been the lot of the true children of God to be regarded as pilgrims. We could state many references out of the Old Testament as well as the Martyrs Mirror and many other church histories, that indicate directly to this point. The children of Abraham were promised a living right (not citizenship) in the land of Canaan four hundred years. This was a short time in comparison of today's life span to the days of the patriarchs. After that they were in

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### ONTARIO YOUTH DROWNED IN RIVER

Simon L. Hershberger, 16, of Wroxeter R1, Ont., drowned in a river about five miles from home at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 24. He was working for a farmer and they were fixing fence near the river when they decided to take a swim after their work was finished. The water was deep and the second time he swam the distance across the river he suddenly sank to the bottom. His body was recovered about an hour later. He was under instruction for baptism this summer. He will be greatly missed in the church and in the home, but we mourn not as those who have no hope.

(See obituary)

### PA. BOY DROWNED IN CAMP POND

Alvin F. Ebersol, 13, son of Alvin B. and Priscilla (Fisher) Ebersol of Leola R1, Pa., drowned in a swimming pond at the Spring Gulch Camp Grounds, three miles south of New Holland, Wednesday evening, July 18. The mishap occurred while the boy was visiting with his uncle who is employed by the camp and lives on the camp grounds. The Ebersol boy and his cousin had gone swimming in a large pond on the camp grounds about 6:30 p.m. The Ebersol boy had just purchased a "snorkel" underwater breathing device on Monday and wanted to try it out. About 8 p.m., the boy was missing so a search was started on the camp grounds. When no trace of the boy could be found, they started a search of the pond. The body was discovered shortly before 9 p.m. in about four feet of water. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The face mask of the snorkel was completely filled with water.

(See obituary)

### KANSAS YOUTH KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Freddy Dale Yoder, son of Pre. Sam Yoder of Haven, Kansas, was killed when the pickup he was driving overturned early Sunday Morning, July 29. At least one other boy was hospitalized.

### FARM MISHAP INJURIES

#### FATAL TO TOPEKA, IND. GIRL

Freda A., seven-year-old daughter of Elmer C. Millers of near Topeka, Ind., died at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne Friday, July 6, of injuries she suffered four days earlier in a farming accident at her home. The girl had been driving a team of horses harnessed to a farm wagon on her father's farm, while her two brothers loaded hay about 9:30 a.m. Monday. Apparently the girl fell from the wagon, suffering a head injury. Her brothers did not see the accident happen, and were unaware that anything was wrong until they saw the girl lying on the ground behind the wagon and hay loader. She was taken to LaGrange County Hospital, but was transferred to Parkview shortly afterward, where she succumbed about 2:45 p.m. Friday as the result of a skull fracture.

(See obituary)

### DOVER, DEL. BOY KILLED IN FARM ACCIDENT

On Saturday, July 14, Wayne J. Miller, age 5, was driving the team on his uncle's farm to thrash oats when the front standard of the loaded wagon fell forward throwing Wayne and his uncle, Ammon, down among the horses. Ammon was able to keep from going under the horses, and got the team stopped, but not before the team and wagon passed over Wayne. This happened at 10:00 a.m. He was rushed to the hospital where he died several hours later on the operating table of internal bleeding and a crushed liver.

(see obituary)

### HOLMES COUNTY FIRE

On the evening of June 29 the large barn on the Paul Burkholder farm was completely destroyed by fire. The parents were not at home at the time, and the cause of the fire is not known. The raising of the new barn was held on July 25th with the help of approximately 700 people.





*"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen."*  
Mark 10:14



## BIRTHS

Dover, Delaware

- MAST, Jacob N. (Amanda Miller) Wyoming R1  
a daughter ALTA, July 15  
MILLER, Moses (Lydiann Miller) Dover R2  
a son NATHANIEL, July 26  
MILLER, Wm. H. (Martha Ann Troyer) Dover R6  
a daughter NANCY, July 24

St. Mary's County, Maryland

- KING, Samuel (Elizabeth Yoder) Mechanicsville  
a daughter ELIZABETH,

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

- HERSHBERGER, Sam (Ada Miller) Wyalusing  
a son JONAS, May 12  
STUTZMAN, Joe (Sylvia Miller) Le Raysville  
a daughter POLLY, June 22

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- BEILER, John L. (Sylvia S. Glick) Christiana R1  
a son JOSEPH G., July 31  
EBERSOL, John M. (Mary Miller) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son ELMER, July 6  
ESH, Jonas S. (Mary L. Esh) Gordonville R1  
a daughter SYLVIA, July 10  
FISHER, David B. (Barbara Blank) Strasburg R1  
a son DAVID JR., July 16  
HER, Jacob R. (Levina Esh) Gordonville R1  
DANIEL E., July 11  
GLICK, Eli K. (Sadie B. Zook) Quarryville R3  
a daughter SUSIE, July 13  
GLICK, Stephen R. (Rachel S. Beiler) Leola R1  
a daughter ANNA, July 31  
KAUFFMAN, Daniel S. (Lizzie K. Esh) Strasburg R1  
a son BENNIE E., July 4  
KING, Bennie (Mary Zook) New Holland R1  
a daughter ANNA MARY, July 19  
LAPP, Enos K. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
a son SAMUEL S., July 21  
LAPP, Gideon F. (Elizabeth King) Ronks R1  
a daughter MALINDA, July 28  
LAPP, J. Elmer (Sadie Beiler) Coatesville R2  
a daughter SYLVIA CATHERINE, July 8  
LAPP, Leroy (Naomi Esh) New Holland R1  
a son JOSEPH, July 11  
MILLER, David (Naomi S. Glick) 41 W. Eby Rd.,  
Leola, a daughter SYLVIA, July 22  
MILLER, Jacob B. (Rebecca S. Petersheim) Bird-in-  
Hand R1, a son WILMER P., July 15  
PETERSHEIM, Christ F. (Katie A. Beiler) Bird-in-Hand  
R1, a son SYLVAN, July 29  
RIEHL, Christian (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a son, July 29  
SMUCKER, Aquilla E. (Rachel E. Kauffman) Bird-in-  
Hand R1, a son AMOS L., July 28

SMUCKER, Benuel (Lavina Beiler) Narvon R1

a son ELMER Y., July 23

SMUCKER, Reuben (Elsie Allgyer) New Holland R2

a son, July 10

STOLTZFOOS, Amos F. (Anna Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1

a son STEPHEN, July 21

STOLTZFOOS, Jacob B. (Naomi Beiler) Strasburg R1

a daughter AMANDA B., July 20

STOLTZFOOS, Levi F. (Katie Fisher) Quarryville R3

a son AMMON J., July 29

STOLTZFUS, Benuel K. (Anna Stoltzfus) Gordonville

R1, a daughter HANNAH, July 14

STOLTZFUS, Benuel F. (Lizzie S. Stoltzfus) Kinzers

R1, a daughter REBECCA S., July 31

STOLTZFUS, Christ M. (Lavina L. Stoltzfus) Bird-in-

Hand R1, a daughter AMANDA, July 28

STOLTZFUS, Daniel R. (Hannah S. Fisher) 1902 Pioneer

Rd., Lancaster R7, a son JESSE F., July 30

STOLTZFUS, Daniel Z. (Mary S. King) Honey Brook

R1, a daughter, July 11

STOLTZFUS, Elmer L. (Rachel B. Miller) Leola R1

a son DAVID M., July 2

STOLTZFUS, Levi L. (Sarah S. Lapp) Kirkwood R1

a son SAMUEL, July 12

STOLTZFUS, Samuel A. (Rachel King) Gordonville R1

a son SAMUEL A. JR., July 17

STOLTZFUS, Stephen F. (Lydia K. Stoltzfus) Kirkwood

R1, a son SAMUEL S., July 26

ZOOK, Christian B. (Lydia Fisher) Strasburg

a daughter SUZANNE, July 21

ZOOK, Henry F. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1

a son STEPHEN L., July 4

ZOOK, Joshua (Lydia King) 352 Gridley Rd., Lancaster

R4, a son ALVIN July 12

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Lebanon County, Pennsylvania  
**STOLTZFUS, Jacob K.** (Annie K. Stoltzfus) Lebanon R1, a son **JACOB K. JR.**, July 30  
**ZOOK, David B.** (Fannie Lapp) Myerstown R2 a son **JONAS L.**, July 28

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania  
**KANAGY, David** (Ella Peachey) Belleville a son **EMANUEL**, July 23

Centre County, Pennsylvania  
**STOLTZFUS, Tobias D.** (Fannie Zook) Rebersburg Star Route, a daughter **FANNIE Z.**, July 10

Somerset County, Pennsylvania  
**SUMMY, Floyd E.** (Katie R. Kinsinger) Salisbury R1 a daughter **AMANDA**, July 22  
**YODER, Kore P.** (Annie E. Brenneman) Meyersdale R1 a daughter **SYLVIA ANNA**, June 29

Indiana County, Pennsylvania  
**BYLER, Albert** (Susan Yoder) Rochester Mills, a son **BILLY**, July 18

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania  
**BYLER, Enos A.** (Mary D. Kurtz) a son **STEVE**, July 18  
**BYLER, Joe S.** (Lydia A. Byler) a son **ANDY**, July 14  
**SWARTZENTRUBER, Dan L.** (Clara J. Byler) a daughter **MARY**, July 13

Mercer County, Pennsylvania  
**TROYER, Mary** (Byler) widow of Daniel A. who died of a heart attack June 22, a son **DANIEL**, July 2

Conewango Valley, New York  
**MILLER, Enos** (Emma Yoder) a son on July 28  
**SHETLER, Ben** (Marie Slabach) a son **JOHNNY**, July 17  
**TROYER, Danny** (Effie Miller) a daughter on July 28

Geauga County, Ohio  
**MILLER, John J., Jr.** (Esther Shrock) a son on July 29  
**WEAVER, Eli P.** a daughter on July 25  
**YODER, Elmer Dan** (Betty Yoder) twins **MAHLON** and **MARIE**, July 5, died four days later  
**YODER, Ervin** (Lydia Byler) a son on July 20

Wayne and Holmes Counties, Ohio  
**BARKMAN, Eli A.** (Ada Stutzman) a son **DAVID**  
**ERB, John V.** (Mattie Yoder) Millersburg R3 a son **ANDY**, July 29  
**HERSHBERGER, David E.** (Ada Miller) a daughter **BARBARA**, June 29  
**HERSHBERGER, Pre. Henry E.** (Beulah Troyer) a son **JOHN**, July 21  
**MILLER, Andy J.** (Lizzie Hershberger) Dundee R1 a daughter **SARAH**, July 23

**MILLER, Crist A.** (Esther Mast) Apple Creek R2 a son **MARVIN**, July 11  
**MILLER, Dennis A.** (Fannie Miller) a son **JOSEPH**, July 7  
**MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Harry U.**, Fredericksburg R2 a son in July  
**MILLER, Joe M.** (Emma Miller) Millersburg R3 a daughter **NAOMI**, July 19  
**MILLER, Levi J.** (Mary Miller) Apple Creek R2 a daughter **RUTH**, July 7  
**MILLER, Raymond** (Edna Barkman) a son **NELSON**  
**MULLET, Delbert** (Melva Yoder) a son **MAHLON**, July 1  
**RABER, Alvin P.** (Esther Yoder) Millersburg R3 twin daughters **LINDA** and **LAIIRA**, July 8  
**SCHLABACH, Floyd** (Emma Yoder) Lakeville R1 a son **LEVI**, July 11  
**SCHLABACH, Mr. and Mrs. John J.** a son **ROY**, May 20  
**TROYER, Eli A.** (Katie Hershberger) Big Prairie R1 a son **HENRY**, July 21  
**TROYER, Gideon B.** (Sarah Miller) Millersburg R4 a daughter **MIRIAM** in July  
**TROYER, Henry A.** (Mattie Miller) Lakeville R1 a daughter **KATIE**, July 15  
**YODER, Dan E.** (Mattie Yoder) Baltic R1 a son **DAVID**, July 15  
**YODER, Eli D.** (Ada Mae Hochstetler) Fredericksburg R2 a daughter **LINDA**, June 24  
**YODER, Noah E.** (Ella Yoder) Big Prairie R1 a son **ERVIN**, July 15

Ashland County, Ohio  
**MILLER, Eli** (Naomi Brenneman) Mansfield R2 a son **DANIEL**, July 29

Allen County, Indiana  
**EICHER, Noah, Jr.** (Viola Graber) Grabill a son **STEVEN**, July 6  
**GRABER, Joseph** (Edna Lengacher) New Haven a son **Joseph J.**, July 8  
**GRABER, Menno** (Mary Lou Eicher) Hicksville, Ohio infant daughter on July 20  
**MILLER, Amos** (Rebecca Schmucker) Grabill a daughter **WILMA**, July 20

Adams County, Indiana  
**COBLENTZ, Ben A.** (Elizabeth Graber) Geneva R2 a daughter **EMMA**, July 19  
**EICHER, Menno N.** (Rebecca Hilty) Geneva R2 a son **HENRY**, July 2  
**GIROD, Ben** (Esther Christner) Monroe R1 a daughter **ESTHER**, June 19  
**SCHWARTZ, David I.** (Katherine H. Schwartz) Geneva R2, a daughter **MARY**, June 16  
**SCHWARTZ, Enos M.** (Rosa Hilty) Monroe R1 a son **ENOS**, July 19  
**SCHWARTZ, Jacob W.** (Fannie Zook) Monroe R1 a son **PETER**, July 21  
**SCHWARTZ, Jonas E.** (Emma Eicher) Geneva R2 a son **JOHN**, in July  
**SCHWARTZ, Reuben N.** (Mary G. Eicher) Monroe R1 a son **JEREMIAH**, July 19



## BIRTHS, Continued

## Elkhart and LaGrange Counties, Indiana

- BEACHY, Levi (Lorene Yoder) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter LE ET TA FAY, June 24
- BONTRAGER, Alton (Carolyn Miller) Shipshewana R1  
a son KENNETH EUGENE, June 24
- BONTRAGER, Eli (Ruth Yoder) Topeka R2  
a son LEVI RAY, July 3
- BORKHOLDER, Ezra (Elsie Mast) Wolcottville R2  
a son REUBEN E., July 14
- CHUPP, Omer Eugene (Rosanna Yoder) Goshen R1  
a son NELSON ELIGENE, July 1
- EASH, Levi J. (Orpha Bontrager) Wolcottville R2  
a daughter IRENE L., July 14
- EASH, Orley (Lydia Yoder) Shipshewana R1  
a son GALEN DEAN, June 22
- HELMUTH, Eli (Mary Ellen Schwartz) Shipshewana R1  
a son ELI, JR., July 6
- HERSHBERGER, Owen (Verna Yoder) Wolcottville R2  
a daughter CHRISTENA O., June 27
- HERSHBERGER, Samuel B. (Leanna Schrock) Topeka R2  
a daughter REBECCA SUE, July 18
- LEHMAN, Orva (Mary Bontrager) Middlebury R1  
a son GLEN RAY, July 20
- MAST, Ora A. (Wilma Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a daughter ESTHER O., July 8
- MILLER, Ervin U. (Alta Yoder) Topeka R2  
a son ERVIN, JR., July 14
- MILLER, Lloyd (Laura Mae Chupp) Goshen R1  
a daughter JO ANN, June 24
- MILLER, Melvin (Irene Bontrager) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter ERMA ILENE, July 13
- MILLER, Reuben J. (Delilah Wickes) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter LOIS JOAN, June 29
- RABER, Perry J. (Lizzie Miller) LaGrange R2  
a son ELI P., July 10
- WENGARD, William J. (Edna Miller) LaGrange R4  
a son WILBUR W., July 17
- WINGARD, Clarence (Edna Otto) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter VERA C., July 1
- YODER, Harry A. (Sue Anna Beachy) LaGrange R2  
a son VERNON H., July 12
- YODER, William J. (Fannie Irene Lambright) Topeka R2  
a son WILBUR W., July 5

## Marshall County, Indiana

- HOCHSTETLER, Jay (Erma Stoltzfus) Nappanee R2  
a daughter CAROL LYNN, July 22
- KUHNS, Pre. Freeman L. (Irene Gingerich) Milford R2  
a daughter SUSAN, July 4
- MILLER, Gilbert Lee (Mary Catherine Barkman) Nappanee  
a son LAVON LEE, July 23
- STUTZMAN, Lloyd (Frieda Schmucker) Nappanee R3  
a daughter LINDA FERN, July 15
- STUTZMAN, Melvin (Anna Mae Chupp) Nappanee  
a son DAVID

## Guthrie, Kentucky

- YODER, Noah S. (Minnie Miller)  
a daughter MARTHA ANN, July 30

## Arthur, Illinois

- MILLER, Marvin A. (Anna Mae Hostetler)  
a daughter MATTIE MARIE, July

## Johnson County, Iowa

- MILLER, Ephraim (Verba Gingerich)  
a son MARCUS ALBERT, July 3
- MILLER, Harlan (Edith Yoder)  
a daughter MIRIAM

## Audrain County, Missouri

- BONTRAGER, Chriss and Susie  
twins, RUDY and RACHEL, July 12
- BONTRAGER, Felty and Katy  
a son PERRY, July 11
- GINGERICH, Jonas and Anna  
a son CHRISSIE, July 24
- GINGERICH, Samuel and Lizzie  
a daughter IDA, July 12
- HOCHSTETLER, Joe and Katy  
a daughter MARTHA, July 3
- MILLER, Ora and Barbara  
a son LeROY, July 14

## Pike County, Missouri

- BURKHOLDER, Eli (Ida Eicher)  
a daughter LEAH, July 10
- GIROD, Enos (Fannie Miller)  
a son ENOS JR., July 11

## Jamesport, Missouri

- MILLER, Wyman (Barbara Swartz)  
a daughter ANNA MAE, July 18

## Webster County, Missouri

- KINSINGER, Mr. and Mrs. David A. Marshfield R2  
a son ELI, July 26

## Cashton, Wisconsin

- HERSHBERGER, John T. (Edna Miller) Westby R2  
a son PAUL, July 14
- SCHMUCKER, William H. (Edna Miller) Cashton R3  
a son ERVIN, July 18

## New Glarus, Wisconsin

- YODER, Menno J. (Salome Coblentz)  
a daughter KATHRYN, July 22

## Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada

- COBLENTZ, David F. (Lucy Yoder)  
a son DAVID RAY, July 23

## Milverton, Ontario, Canada

- JANTZI, David and Fannie, Milverton R1  
a son PAUL, June 28
- JANTZI, Norman (Ruth Kuepfer) Linwood R1  
a son STEPHEN, July 4

## Norwich, Ontario, Canada

- GINGERICH, Noah E. (Lovina L. Miller)  
a daughter ELLA, July 7
- SHETLER, Dan J. (Ella D. Stutzman)  
a daughter LIZZIE, July 9

## OBITUARIES

**BEILER, Infant, Strasburg R1, Pa.**

The infant son of Enos K. and Fannie S. (King) Beiler died Saturday, July 21 at 12:05 a.m. at the Lancaster General Hospital shortly after birth. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, Jonas and David, and a sister, Rachel, all at home. Also surviving are the paternal grandparents, Jonas and Mary (King) Beiler, Ronks R1; and the maternal grandparents, Jacob A. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) King, of Strasburg R1, Pa.

**BYLER, William, 6, of Geauga Co., Ohio**

son of William A. and Etta (Weaver) Byler fell from a load of hay and died on his sixth birthday.

**COBLENTZ, Harley, 64, of Johnson Co., Iowa**

was born at McMinnville, Oregon on Feb. 8, 1909, and passed away at his home near Kalona, Ia. on July 15, 1973, age 64 yr., 5 mo., 7 days. He was the son of Dea. Dan and Fannie (Schrock) Coblentz. On June 8, 1938 he was united in marriage to Barbara Gingerich in North Dakota. After living there for 6 years they moved to the Kalona area, where they resided the rest of his life. Born to this union were: Daniel, married to Esther Yoder; Joe, married to Susie Schrock; Ruby, Fannie Mae, Marie Arlene, Elijah and Dwight Glen all of Kalona. Also surviving are nine grandchildren; one brother, David of Oxford; five sisters, Mrs. Monroe (Barbara) Bender, Kalona; Mrs. Menno (Anna) Slabaugh, Iowa City; Mrs. Elmer (Mattie) Hohnberger, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. Andy (Tillie) Slabaugh, Kalona; and Mrs. Mahlon (Clara) Miller, Kalona.

Funeral services were held at the Tobias Miller home in the house and barn, by Bishop Jonas Beachy, Alton Yoder, and Bishop Elmer T. Miller. Burial in the Peter Miller Cemetery.

**EBERSOL, Leroy, 13, Leola R1, Pa.**

drowned in a camp pond July 18 (see front page). His age was 13 yr., 6 mo., 14 days. He is survived by his parents, Alvin B. and Priscilla (Fisher) Ebersol; two brothers, Samuel and Harvey, both at home; paternal grandparents, Leroy and Rachel (Bawell) Ebersol, of Leola R1; and maternal grandparents, Samuel M. and Rebecca (King) Fisher, of Ronks R1.

Short funeral services were held at the house by Stephen Zook, hymn by Amos F. Stoltzfus; further services were held in the chair shop by Elam Beiler from Brush Valley, and John Allgyer, hymn by Abram King; hymn at graveyard by John Y. Beiler, abschied by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus; burial in Myers Cemetery.

**FISHER, Infant, Kinzers R1, Pa.**

The infant son of Jonas and Sadie (Zook) Fisher, died Friday, July 27 at home. He was born the same day. In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Stephen at home; his paternal grandparents, Joseph S. and Mattie (Esh) Fisher, Ronks R1; his maternal grandfather, Amos Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1; and his paternal step-great-grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Fisher, Kinzers R1.

**HARSHBERGER, Mrs. Katie E., 64, Goshen R1, Ind.**

died Thursday, June 28 at the Goshen General Hospital where she had been a patient several days after an illness of several months. She was born in White Cloud, Mich. Jan. 5, 1909, a daughter of Joseph and Susannah (Hochstetler) Yoder. She moved to the Goshen area in 1935 from Centreville, Mich. She married Ezra Harshberger on March 19, 1935, who survives. Also surviving are five sons, Melvin, of Utica, Ohio, Vern, Alvin and Roman all of Nappanee and Leroy Harshberger, Shipshewana; two daughters, Mrs. Noah (Fannie Mae) Schrock, Goshen, and Miss Pauline Harshberger, Middlebury; 24 grandchildren; six brothers, Ervin, Vern and Joseph Yoder, all of Centreville, Sylvanus and John Yoder, Colon, Mich., and Levi Yoder, Gambier, Ohio; five sisters, Mrs. David Yoder, Centreville, Mich., Mrs. Everett Upton and Mrs. Ruel Hall, both of Goffstown, N. H., Mrs. Phinas Bell, Mendon, Mich. and Mrs. Edward Hochstetler, Nappanee, Ind.

Funeral services were held at the home of Noah Schrock's Monday, July 2, by Bishop Jesse Slabach, Bishop Joe S. K. Bontrager, Bishop Milo J. K. Miller and Joe A. Bontrager; psalm was read by Bishop Perry Nisley; burial was in the Thomas Cemetery.

**HERSHBERGER, Simon L., 16, Wroxeter, Ont.**

drowned in a river in Grey Co., Ont. July 24. (See front page.) His age was 16 yr., 11 mo., and 16 days. Born August 8, 1956 in Middlefield, Ohio, he was the son of Levi L. and Sarah (Miller) Hershberger, who survive. Also surviving are two sisters, six brothers, maternal grandparents, and one step grandmother. His paternal grandparents and one uncle preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held in the home July 27, with many relatives and friends attending from Canada, Mich., Ohio, Pa., Del., and Fla. Memorial devotional services in morning by Pre. Andy Farmwald; funeral preaching by Pre. John J. Miller of Holmesville and Pre. Eli Kauffman, all of Ohio; benediction by Bishop Noah S. Byler of the home church; hymns by Pre. Melvin Gingerich of Michigan and Bishop John Byler of Ohio; graveyard hymn by Bishop Jacob Eicher of Aylmer, Ontario, Canada.

**MILLER, Ammon B., 86, Arthur, Illinois**

died July 15 at the age of 86 yr., 1 mo., 13 days. Born January 2, 1887, he was the son of Solomon and Mattie (Koblentz) Miller. He married Mattie Miller March 7, 1909, lived in matrimony 64 yr., 4 mo., 8 days. To this union were born six sons and two daughters. Two brothers and one sister survive, also 43 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held July 17 at the home of his son, Ben A. Millers, by Bishop Dan A. Miller and Bishop John Herschberger; psm read by Min. Levi Herschberger and hymn by Min. Edwin Schrock; burial in Otto Cemetery.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

HOSTETLER, Mrs. Sam A., 68, Geauga Co., Ohio

died while working in her flower bed July 13. Born September 17, 1904, she was a daughter of Jake N. and Lizzie Ann (Gingerich) Byler. She was first married to Milo E. Byler, who died in 1951. She married second time January 4, 1953 to Sam A. Hostetler. She leaves three daughters and five sons, Mrs. Neil M. (Ella) Schrock, Atlantic, Pa., Mrs. Harvey B. (Susan) Weaver, Middlefield, Mrs. Jonas V. (Mary Ann) Miller, North Bloomfield, Ura and Eli, Middlefield, Mahlon and Jake, Mercer, Pa., and Albert of Punxsutawney, Pa.; two step sons, Harley of Hartsville and Dan of Middlefield; four step daughters, Mrs. Alfred J. (Mary Ann) Yoder of Somerset, Ohio, Mrs. Eli A. (Laura) Byler of Milton, Iowa, Mrs. Harvey E. (Alma) Byler of Mercer, Pa., and Mrs. Dan (Esther) Hostetler.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 16, by Jonas Coblentz of Dover, Del., Sam Erb of the home church in the shed; in the barn by Dan U. Byler of the home church and Mahlon Hostetler of Dundee, Ohio; in the shed at Dan P. Weavers by Andy E. Miller of the home church and Eli Stutzman of Arthur, Illinois. Burial was near Atlantic, Pa. beside her first husband.

KING, Mrs. Sadie E., 67, Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.

died Sunday Evening, July 1, at the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. She was the wife of Benjamin L. King. Born in Upper Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of the late Abram P. and Malinda (Esh) King. In addition to her husband, she is survived by eleven children, Christian K., Leola R1; Mary, wife of Daniel Z. Stoltzfus, Lancaster; Abram K., Witmer; Daniel K., Ephrata R2; Benuel K., Bird-in-Hand R1; Elam K., Ronks R1; Lydia, wife of Daniel Lapp, Strasburg R1; Jacob K., Lancaster; Amos K., at home; David K., Lititz R3, and Jonas K., Bird-in-Hand R1; 60 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and the following brothers and sisters, Mrs. Annie King, Jacob E. King, David E. King, and Levi E. King, all of Gordonville R1, Amos E. King, Ronks R1, and Daniel E. King, New Holland R2.

Short funeral services were held at the house by Amos U. Glick, hymn by Amos L. Stoltzfus; further services were held at Benuel K. Kings in the barn by Pre. Gideon K. King and Bishop Christ M. Fisher; hymn by Pre. Jacob E. King; hymn at graveyard by Pre. Jonas S. King; abschied by Pre. Eli S. Stoltzfus; burial at Myers Cemetery.

MILLER, Wayne J., age 5, of Dover, Delaware

died from injuries of a farm accident July 14 (see front page). His age was 5 yr., 3 mo., 15 days.

Funeral services were held at the home by Pre. Dan E. Miller of Geauga Co., Ohio and Pre. Simon Swartzentruber. Pallbearers were Samuel A. Miller and Henry E. Mast. Burial was in the Dover Amish Cemetery.

MILLER, Freda A., age 7, Topeka, Indiana

died Friday, July 6, from injuries suffered in a farming accident (see front page). She was born Jan. 18, 1966, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Miller. Surviving with the parents are two brothers, Samuel E. and Lester, both of Ligonier; three sisters, Barbara, Beulah and Irene, all at home; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Mast and Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Yoder.

Funeral services were held at the Miller residence, by Bishop Abe Mast and Bishop Alvin Lambricht; burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.

MILLER, Mrs. Lizzie, 89, Goshen R1, Indiana

died unexpectedly at her home about 8:30 July 5, after suffering an apparent heart attack. She was born Oct. 18, 1883, in Clinton Township, a daughter of Simon and Frances Schlabach. She married Noah M. Miller Feb. 5, 1919, he died Dec. 14, 1967. Surviving are a son, Harold N. Miller of Goshen, a daughter, Mrs. Noah (Lizzieann) Schmucker, Goshen; 14 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother, Osa Schlabach, Goshen; and a sister, Mrs. Dora Weaver, Riverside, Iowa.

Funeral services were held at the family home by Bishop Milo Miller and Enos Eash; burial was in the Nisley Cemetery.

MILLER, Mrs. Susan, 72, of Geauga Co., Ohio

died July 9 at the age of 72 yr., 4 mo., 17 days. She was the wife of Dea. Andy S. Miller, they lived in matrimony 53 yr., 5 mo., 17 days. Surviving with her husband are six sons and two daughters, Alvin, Rudy, and Mrs. John R. (Annie) Schmucker of Burton, Ohio, Albert of Middlefield, Ohio, Mrs. Crist M. (Emma) Hershberger of LaFarge, Wis., Gideon, Monroe and Noah of Cashton, Wis.; one brother, Abe D. Troyer of Ashland, Ohio; 85 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Noah Coblentz, Bishop Jonas N. Hershberger, Jake C. Byler of the home church, and Jonas E. Helmuth of Iowa.

OVERHOLT, Mrs. Suvilla, 86, of Johnson Co., Ia

died July 1 at the age of 86 years and 29 days. She was the wife of John A. Overholt whom she married Oct. 23, 1913. She was born June 2, 1887 to Samuel E. and Mary (Miller) Chupp. They moved from Kansas to Iowa in 1926. Surviving in addition to her husband are three children, Samuel of Kalona, John Jr. of Des Moines, and Mrs. Edward E. (Susie) Miller of Grandin, Mo.; three children have preceded her in death. Also surviving are four brothers, Noah and Jake of Goshen, Mose of Sturgis, Mich., and Eli of Elkhart, Ind., and one sister, Mrs. Jake Mast of Kalona.

Funeral services were held at the Sam Overholt home on July 4th by Bishop Neal Bontrager of Anabel, Mo., Bishop Glen Bender and Bishop Henry B. Miller.

**SLABAUGH, Jerry J. Jr., 29, of Nappanee, Indiana** died Sunday, July 8, from injuries received in a car accident Friday, July 6. Born July 6, 1944 at Milford, Ind., he was a son of Bishop Jerry and Iva (Schmucker) Slabaugh. He was married to Wilma, daughter of Wm. and Mary (Hochstetler) Chupp. Surviving are his wife, six children, four brothers, Robert of Kenton, Ohio, Edward of Salem, Indiana, Melvin and Glen of Nappanee; six sisters, Mrs. Monroe (Betty) Miller of Shipshewana, Ind., Mrs. Monroe (Mary) Hochstetler of Honduras, C. A., Mrs. Emil (Edna) Helmuth of Honduras, C. A., Mrs. Leonard (Ruby) Miller, Shipshewana, Mrs. Henry (Martha) Raber of Ohio, and Mrs. Sara Fisher of Nappanee.

Funeral services were held July 10 at the Eldon Miller home. Burial was in Graber Cemetery.

**YODER, Andy, 5 days, Millersburg, Ohio**

son of Dan B. and Mary (Yoder) Yoder, died at the Akron Children's Hospital. Surviving are his parents, two brothers and a sister all of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee M. Beachy of Sugar Creek; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose J. J. Yoder of Millersburg R4; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli D. Hershberger of Holmesville R1, and Mrs. Albert J. Schlabach of Sugar Creek.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 5, at the residence by Bishop John J. C. Yoder; burial at the Yoder Cemetery in Clark Twp., Holmes County.

**YODER, Freddy Dale, 17, of Haven, Kansas**

son of Pre. Sam Yoder, was killed when the pickup he was driving overturned early Sunday Morning, July 20. At least one other boy was hospitalized.

#### GEAUGA CO. BOY DIED IN FALL

William, son of William A. and Etta (Weaver) Byler fell from a load of hay and died on his sixth birthday.

#### MELVIN GINGERICH, MIO, MICH. REPORTER FELL FROM LADDER

On June 28th I had the misfortune of falling from a ladder (about 16 ft.) while repairing a barn roof. The result was a fractured wrist on my left arm, which has been in cast since. If the bone is healing all right the cast is to be removed August 14. Yes, I am fortunate and feel thankful that I was not hurt more than this.

#### SOMERSET CO. WOMAN INJURED IN A RUNAWAY

Mrs. Alvin I. Peachey (Susie) was hurt on July 4 when she was trampled under a horse. She wanted to back the horse around to get on the buggy when he all of a sudden made a lunge forward and somehow threw her and tramped on her. Two children were on the buggy and they jumped off when they thought the buggy would overturn, which it didn't. They weren't hurt except a few scratches and bruises. Susie had several broken ribs. She seems to be on the mend now after spending a while in bed or mostly in bed.

#### MARRIAGES

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Slabaugh, Summy - Ernest, son of Joseph and Emma (Yoder) Slabaugh, Grantsville, Md., and Miriam, daughter of Pete Y. and Effie (Hochstetler) Summy, Meyersdale, Pa., July 22, by Bish. Albert Brenneman.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Christner, Miller - Alvin Jr., son of Alvin Christners, Berne, Ind., and Clara, daughter of Levi Millers, Stonesboro, Pa., June 21

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Miller - Ervin, son of Mrs. Dorothy Byler, and Martha, daughter of Josiah J. and Anna Mary (Miller) Miller, May 31.

Schrock, Wengard - Joe, son of Enos J. and Mary (Mullet) Schrock, and Betty, daughter of Dan N. and Nancy (Mast) Wengard, June 7

Fisher, Hostetler - Lester, son of Mrs. Emma Fisher, and Clara, daughter of Menno U. and (Miller) Hostetler, June 7.

Byler, Mast - Dan, son of Mrs. Dorothy Byler, and Katie, daughter of John J. and Barbara (Yoder) Mast, June 14.

Hostetler, Miller - Chester, son of Steven Hostetler, Gettysburg, Pa., and Emma, daughter of Albert A. and Lizzie (Miller) Miller, June 28.

Slaubach, Byler - Ura, son of John J. and the late Verna (Gingerich) Slaubach, and Lizzie, daughter of Jake J. and Susie (Yoder) Byler, July 12.

Holmes County, Ohio

Keim, Keim - Aden Jr., son of Aden and Sevilla (Miller) Keim, and Sarah, daughter of Stephen and Ella (Weaver) Keim, July 26

Yoder, Yoder - Widower Eli L. Yoder, 47, and Clara, 32, daughter of Pre. William R. and Susie Yoder, July 26, by Jonas N. Borntrager.

#### ARTHUR, ILL. REPORTER HAS REPLACEMENT OF HIP JOINTS

Menno A. Diener, having severe hip trouble, entered Carl Clinic, Champaign, Ill. June 12 for operations. The left hip was operated on June 14, and got along fine. The right hip was operated on June 21, and stood the operation very well, till June 25 had trouble with bleeding ulcers of the stomach, which lasted two days. From then on seemed to get better right along. Returned home July 14. Am able to be outside a little every day for a little walk, and by this writing am able to take a few steps without the use of canes.

**NOTICE** - The writings of John E. Kauffman published in THE DIARY, Vol. 2, No. 1, p. 9 (Jan. 1970) is now available in booklet form. Entitled "Anabaptist Letters from 1635 to 1645, Translation from Ausbund," it sells for 35¢ each and is available at Gordonville Print Shop, and from the writer, John E. Kauffman, R1, Atglen, Pa. 19310.



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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 2.9 inches.

Market Report: The price freeze is lifted, except beef is supposed to stay till Sept. 12. Prime Fat Cattle, \$54.75 Cwt.; Feeders, \$40 to \$73 Cwt.; Fat Steers, 58¢; Veal, \$47 to \$80 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$55 to 61.50 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, 1.10 lb.; Dairy Cattle at New Holland sold, \$590 to \$1400; Fowl price, light, 17¢ lb., heavy, 27¢ lb.; Pullets, 45¢ lb.; Roasters, 40¢ lb.; Ducks, 36¢ lb.; Large Eggs, 78¢ doz.; Hay, \$32 to \$65 Tn; Straw, \$38 to \$47 Ton; Ear Corn, \$78 Ton, 2.75 Bu.; Wheat, 3.35 Bu.; Barley, 1.75 Bu.; Oats, 1.20 Bu.; Potatoes, \$10 Cwt.

by Elam S. Beiler

Wheat harvested and thrashed earlier this month. Wheat averaged from 15 to 48 bushels, mostly high 20s to low 30s. Straw also about a half crop. Some folks say it was due to lack of nitrogen because of our snowless winter, others think we had a blight in early spring. Second cutting hay went in this month, fairly heavy crop. Some places got rain earlier in the month. Tobacco topping is underway now. Looks like another poor crop as it was planted wet and now is dry. It is shooting in tops and is not very large yet. Corn looks very good, most of it pollinated without rain. It made very good growth throughout the month, now ground is shaded and dry weather does not affect it so hard. Some soybeans planted (a new crop in this area, although some were put out last year). I don't know whether they look good or not, they came up rather uneven as seed germination was poor.

by Ammon F. Fisher

July 3 in the evening we had a hard thunderstorm with creek banks overflowing. The last two weeks we didn't have any measureable rain. It seems a little more on the dry side as had quite a few days with 90 degree temperature and very warm and dry air. Total rainfall was 3.9 inches. Vacation time is here and taxi drivers are busy. Farmers had a good chance to get ahead of weeds.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens Nissley

The weather in July was ideal summer weather, with plenty of moisture. Most of hay was put up in good shape, and was a heavy crop. Corn is tasseling out, looks promising. Wet fields and wet spots are a failure. Oats is being put in shock, is a fair crop.

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

July had a lot of warm, humid weather with plenty of rain. Total for the month was 4.3 in. Highest temperature for the month was 92 degrees on the 9th and again on the 14th. Lowest temperature was 58 degrees on the 12th. The last week was on the dry side. Thrashing is complete, with near record low yields for oats. Barley and wheat yielded fair to good. Corn is tasseled out and shooting ears, looks extra good. Corn prices are around \$2. a bu. Barley \$1.75, oats \$1.75, hay \$1.00 or more in the field. Eggs 65¢ to \$1., pigs out of sight, as high as \$45. Fat hogs well over \$54. cwt. Broilers 60¢ lb. live weight. In short, everything is near record high.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

July's first week was very warm and humid, 100 degrees plus average. Rained 1 inch the eve of the 3rd, 1¼ in. the night of the 10th, then we had some blessed relief. It was almost cool the morning of the 12th. Had another ½ in. rain the 21st, which was much appreciated, but it was dry again till Aug. 1. when it rained 2 inches.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

Here at the northern end of the county we only had 1.8 inches of rain for July, while farther south they had two thundershowers which we didn't get. Barley and wheat were mostly light in yield and also not as much straw as other years. Some first cutting hay was made the beginning of July yet, which went in the barns without rain and apparently better hay than earlier. Also a lot of second cutting hay was made this month. Weather was mostly warm and sticky which is good growing weather, but it seems there are more flies and mosquitoes, etc. around than usual.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

Light showers for July totaled 0.88 inches. All the showers were light and none amounted to as much as a half inch. Temperatures in July averaged 75.32 degrees. The high reading for the month was 93 degrees on July 8 and 9. The lowest reading was 55 degrees and came the morning of July 12. Farmers had very nice weather to get their threshing done. Grain buyers were paying around \$2.75 a bu. for wheat during the wheat harvest. Since most of the wheat was harvested, prices have continually been going upward and is now quoted at \$3.50 per bu. and shelled corn is \$3.00. Farmers also took advantage of the good weather for hay making and a lot of hay was made during July. Corn fields started to show signs of dry weather and looked pitiful during the day. But August 1st came with nice showers which will cheat many a nubbin.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

I recorded 1½ inches of rain for July, but of course our rains were mostly from thunder clouds, so some localities got much more. On our hill the corn has been rolling its leaves quite a bit. The oats was fair, not as much as some years. Hay was plentiful, wheat seems to be quite poor.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

July was a warm month. Many nice sunny warm days, temperature in nineties, also warm at night. Some nights cooled off real nice. Only six cloudy days, 3 thunder showers, 2.2 in. rainfall. Corn is in tassel now and looks good. Oats is cut and some is threshed. Wheat is all threshed. Sweet corn seems to be a good crop. Blackberries are beginning to ripen. Prices still going up. Peaches are beginning to ripen, sellin at \$4.00 a bu. Eggs 65¢-70¢ a doz.

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### Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

July was a nice month in this section. We had a lot of warm weather, also enough rain to keep things growing. Nice weather to thrash wheat, which made a fair amount of straw but not as much grain as usual. There is not a lot grown in this locality. Second cutting hay is mostly in and was a good crop. The farmers were starting to cut oats at the end of the month. A lot of the oats is down and tangled badly, although some fields are standing nicely. Flies seem to be more plentiful than usual, also very pesty.

### Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Beiler

Weather in July was about normal, 3 in. of rainfall, no real heavy rains. We had about two weeks very warm and no rain, otherwise very good growing weather. Corn looks to be the best crop in years. Hay is plentiful, second cutting mostly away. It is a little hard to get hay in without a little rain. Most of it went in in fair shape. Barley is threshed, a poor crop. Oats threshing has started, yield is good. up to 100 bu. or better per acre. Let us not forget to be thankful in times of plenty.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

July has mostly been quite warm with many days quite humid. The forepart of July was a bit on the dry side but the two last weeks we've had some lovely rains which amounted to approximately 5.3 in. altogether. It seems the rains were rather heavy in the Grantsville-Springs area while down towards Meyersdale they had quite a bit less. Wheat is being thrashed when weather permits and oats is turning color, too. Sure is lovely growing weather for field corn and gardens.

### Crawford County, Pa., by Mrs. Menno E. Fisher

We had very nice growing weather in June, with plenty of showers beginning of the month. Corn and oats weren't all planted until the middle of the month or later. Gardens look very nice. Peas are a bumper crop. Strawberries are very scarce and a short crop. Wonderful hay weather.

July is drier than usual for this area. Lawns have dry spots. Crops aren't suffering. Second crop hay is being made. Early oats is cut. Garden vegetables are plentiful, but fruit is scarce. No peaches or sweet cherries in the area, due to warm weather in the winter. Raspberries are scarce.

### Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The weather for the month of July was ideal for haying and cutting grain crops. July 12th there was a downpour of about 3 inches in an hour and twenty minutes time, otherwise there was enough rain for good growing. Gardens are yielding bountifully, and hay was a good crop. Apples, pears and peaches seem to be slow due to late frost. Beef and pork prices seem to be going out of sight. The talk is meat shortage. To me this is a hidden question.

### New Wilmington, Pa., by Mrs. Mose C. Byler

Weather was very ideal for growing crops and harvesting. Grain turned out fairly well. Corn looks good and is growing fast. Sweet corn selling for over \$1.00 per doz. in stores. Early apples were a short crop and most fell before ripe. Most fall apple trees are not bearing. Peaches, again, must be shipped in, and are selling for from \$5 to \$7 per bu. Springers selling 45¢ to 50¢ lb. alive. Eggs going up to 90¢ doz. Wild berries are plentiful this summer.

### Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The first half of this month was very warm and sultry, had good rains when needed. People are threshing wheat and cutting oats, making second cutting hay, canning peaches. No cherries or peaches through here, they are all shipped in. Tomatoes and sweet corn are ripe, seem to be a good crop. Field corn looks very good. Wheat is frost damaged and light. Oats looks like a good crop. Nights have been cooling off good this last week.

### Barrs Mills, Ohio, by Jonas N. Bontrager

Wheat is threshed, oats threshing will start this week if weather permits. We had several good showers the last week in July. Corn looks very good. Second cutting hay is being cut. Good growing weather. The markets have made quite a jump in the last 30 days. What's next?

### Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

We had a moderate amount of rain during July. One storm on the 10th. Wheat is being threshed with yields below average. Oats are heavier, and corn appears to be a bumper crop again this year, if nothing prevents.

### Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of July we had occasional showers. Corn and grass fields are nice and green, Wheat is all threshed, some oats to cut yet. Second crop hay is also being made. Cattle, hog, and feed prices are at an all-time high.

### Western Holmes Co., by Monroe A. Weaver

Good growing weather in July. Not very many real warm days or nights. Second cutting hay was a good crop, and is mostly made. Not very much wheat was put out last fall, and the yield was low in our area. Oats is cut, and looks good. Corn looks very good. Pig and hog prices skyrocketed, next is beef, especially if the house wives will try to fill their freezers.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

July only had a little over two inches of rain, but we had some damp cloudy days. Hay is about all up and was a heavy crop. Oats is being cut but some late oats is still green. Corn is tasseling and earing out, and looks to be a good crop. Egg price is going up 75¢ for large.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The first half of July has been somewhat dry, and gardens suffered some. The last half was more wet than dry, with a total of 4 in. for the month. All through the month was warmer than usual with some days exceedingly warm. Crops are fair to good. Oat cutting is in full swing. Corn is doing excellent although some is very late. No oats thrashed yet. Barley threshing has begun.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

We are having good growing weather at present, with over four inches of rain for this month. We had eighteen days of sunshine and not too much wind. This gave the farmers nice weather to put up their hay. Most of the oats is either cut with the binder or being combined which seems to be a good crop. Having plenty of rain there was a little water on the lands. At our weekly auction eggs brought 76¢, hogs over 50¢. Some elevators are offering between \$50 and \$60 a ton for ear corn.

At the beginning of this month, Joe Kauffman of Belleville brought four couples here on a trip west, and made a stop over at our house. Folks, come again and stay longer.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

Weather was warm and dry most of July. We had a thunderstorm one Tues., with wind and hail at places. Some trees were blown down. We had an all day rain on Sat., July 21.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

We had excellent growing weather all through July, had around 4.2 inches of rain. Most of the corn is in tassel. Tomatoes are ripening and look to be a good crop. Grain crops are not quite as good this year as sometimes. Wheat yield average was from 28 to 30 bu. per acre. Oats will soon be ready to thresh, also. Feed and market prices continue to be outrageously high.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

July was nearly normal, rainfall for the month was 4.41 inches. The unusual aspect of the rain was that all but one half inch of it came in two big showers. Thrashing oats is in full swing. Figures for the month are: High, 94 on the 9th; Low, 55 on the 28th; Rainfall, 4.41 inches; There were 14 clear days, 16 partly cloudy days, and only one day that there was no sunshine; There were 8 rainy days and two thunderstorms.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

July has been a good growing month. Hay was plentiful, and second cutting is coming along good. It was beginning to be on the dry side, but now we have had lots of rain and gardens look very good. Corn is looking good, too. Eggs are a high price, 65¢ at the house and more in stores. Mash \$8.85 a hundred. Pigs six weeks old selling from 25 to 27 dollars each. Dairy cows anywhere from five to six hundred each.

Allen County, Indiana, Ind., by Mrs. John Schmucker

Weather in July was mostly hot, humid, and muggy. Lowest temperature was 54 degrees on the morning of the 11th. Oats yield isn't as high as last year, and still quite a lot to be thrashed yet as it was later in ripening. Eggs are 64¢ a doz. and several large coops close by are completely empty, which will make them scarce and go still higher. Prediction: \$1.00 a doz. by Christmas.

Elkhart County, Ind., by Sam K. Stoltzfus

Temperature in the nineties. A thunderstorm and 1½ inch rain on July 3rd. The second week was cool in the mornings, but got up to high 80's and 90's during the day. Wheat being threshed and oats cut. Some are fortunate to have sweet corn on the menu. July 20 is the first rain in 16 days. Approximate rainfall for July is 5 inches. Second cutting hay is being made and some oats is threshed.

LaGrange County, Ind., by Anna Eash

Weather in July was quite humid at times. We had hard showers on July 3, also some on the 4th. The next two weeks were hot and humid. It was quite dry and beautiful. Much needed and much appreciated rain on July 20 that greened up lawns, gardens, and the corn. On the 27th, enjoyed some showers and in late afternoon stormy looking clouds produced some more rain. The sun shining in it, made a beautiful rainbow, clear and bright. Wheat was a good crop but yielded lighter than usual, 31-32 bushels to acre being about the best we know of. Hay was good. The second cutting being put up now is excellent quality and stand. Oats is heavy but not threshed yet. Corn looks good. Gardens are producing beans, peas, radishes and cucumbers. First sweet corn is ripening and is good! A few tomatoes are ripe, but most of us have a week or so to wait. We had quite a few days of 80 and 90 degree temperature. Prices on most everything keep rising. Soybeans over \$7.00 a bushel, wheat around \$3.00. Eggs are higher, beef also is higher. Truly "our cup runneth over."

Kokomo, Ind., by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

We have had lots of humid weather in July. First half was dry, but had approximately 5 in. the latter half. Crops appear to be doing real well. Scarce food in the groceries is canned peaches, raisins, chicken, and beef. Farmers are holding their cattle until the price freeze lifts. Pork is almost too high to buy. Sea foods seem unaffected.

Nappanee, Ind., by Mrs. Alvin Burkholder

The weather was very warm, dry, and humid, up until the 20th; the rains came and the parched ground drank in every drop! Lawns were turning brown, corn leaves were curling up. Several more showers the last week in July have brought new life to fields and gardens. Wheat is threshed. Oats are being cut and shocked. Second cutting hay is being made. Corn is in tassels and looks real good. Of course weeds are making a strong comeback, too!

Nappanee, Ind., by Joni D. Gingrich

The month of July was about an average month. We had around ten days of real warm and humid weather, the rest of the month was just average summer weather with mostly a nice breeze during the day. We had about a week of rather dry, but outside of that there was plenty of moisture. Wheat yielded good but there wasn't much sowed last fall on account of too much rain. Oats to be threshed is about in the shock and looks a good crop. Outsiders are mostly through combining. Corn and soybeans look promising, although some of them were sown a little late. They have made a wonderful growth and appear to be just a little ahead of the season at this time. Rainfall right through this area for July was 6 inches.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

The month of July as a whole was nice weather with moderate rainfall. Wheat has been harvested with a turnout from 10 to 33 bu. per acre by the Amish folks. Hay was a good crop with a lot being made in July, instead of June as usual. Most corn fields are uneven, as low spots were too wet, but expect to have a fair crop. Oats look good. We usually have our first frost the last week in September.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin N. Gingerich

Crops look considerably better this summer than they did last summer at this time. First crop hay was good in quality and quantity. Some have started on second crop. Oats look good and are ripening. Corn is tasseling. Not much wheat is raised in this area. Strawberries were a good crop and could be picked for 25¢ to 30¢ a quart. Potatoes seem to be scarce. New ones are selling for around 14¢ a lb. Dairy feed concentrates such as soybean meal are \$12.00 cwt. Shelled corn is \$80. a ton. Good growing weather (including weeds) through July. We have had about 3.8 inches of rain in the last week. We had tornado warnings this afternoon for northern Michigan and upper peninsula, but we just got another good shower with not much wind.

This settlement started in 1971. Five families are now living here. They all migrated here from Geauga County, Ohio. We are located just 100 mi. south of the straits, or about 20 mi. south of the 45th parallel, which is half-way between the North Pole and the equator. There are few Amish settlements located farther north than we are. Many people come up around this area for relief from sinus, asthma, and hay fever.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

July has brought us some more humid and quite hot weather, changing to a few cool days at intervals. Rain has been average for the month in the area, although not far away rain was heavy in spots and quite above average. Wheat and oats are fair to good wheat not yielding in proportion to its straw, but still fair. Oats are the best since we live here. Corn also looks promising. Hay has been making good amounts to the acre, but second cutting has been a problem to dry thus far. Prices of farm produce are the highest since my memory records. Its almost shameful to report, as any thinking American will know this cannot hold out without bringing on a recession. Mosquitoes, face flies, and ear flies have been the worst in the month and year that I can also recall. Horses and cattle almost go wild at times, running from one corner of the field to the next.

Guthrie, Ky., by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for June and July still provided ample moisture. Had a week of nice weather during wheat harvest, which was a short crop. Soybeans are all planted, and farmers are getting caught up on long awaited odds and ends. Also trying to keep weeds out of the soybeans, which is quite a job, also treating Johnson Grass, which is also flourishing. Corn looks to be a promising crop and a good price. Wheat, \$3.25 bu.; New Crop Beans, \$8.00.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The first half of July was fair for tending crops, not so nice for hay making. Eighteen to twenty heavy rains, various difference in amounts at different places, ranging from 5 to 7½ in. Oat crop is very poor, wheat below average. No threshing as yet. The remainder of July was wet, having from 8-11 in. rainfall the last ten days.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather has been ideal the last while. We had a good 1½ in. rain on July 29. Not so warm the last several days. Oats are nearly all cut, and about ready to start threshing. Some have combined already.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Weather for July was wonderful, perhaps 5 to 6, inches rain for the month. We have tall, good looking corn this year. Early corn is starting ears. Grass and hay still growing nicely. Rains and showers have been delaying threshing. We usually have a dry spell some time during summer, but not so far this year. Stock prices are still going up.

Webster County, Mo., by David A. Kinsinger

Several good showers the first part of July kept things fresh and growing, but latter part was very warm and has been rather dry. Corn has tasseled. Threshing is over, and farmers are trying to catch up on general work before disking for wheat.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward Mast

The first part of July was warm and dry with most things at a stand still. About the 15th we had some rain which broke a five-week dry spell. The latter half had fine growing weather. Total rainfall for the month was 3.7 in. We had many whirlwinds and some dry thunderstorms. Most of the wheat ground has been plowed.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

We had nice haying weather through most of July. A lot of nice hay went in barns. It was getting quite dry around the 22nd, but had some nice rains again the 25th. Corn is mostly tasseled out, and oats is being cut; looks like a good crop.

New Glarus, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Jonas Hershberger

We have had enough rainfall throughout the month. Oats is short and light. Cool through the nights the last part of the month.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

July was an exceptionally good month for rapid growth. We had many warm and sunny days and sufficient rain when needed. Grain fields have changed color; harvesting is beginning. The corn crop also looks good. The early planting is in tassel awhile now. Tomatoes and sweet corn are starting to ripen.

Chesley, Ontario, by Neah Stutzman

Grey County is again getting some wonderful nice rains after a three week dry spell which was great for haying. No need to worry about rain, you could mow grass every day and keep putting it in the barns. Some days we hardly even had any dew in the mornings. About ten miles west of here where they have clay soil the corn suffered the most, some of the top leaves are dead. Around here it was not so bad, although the corn was shriveled up during the day. Now everything looks nice again and is also cooler, so we want to thank the Lord for it all. I started cutting oats today. It seems to be a pretty fair crop in spite of the dry weather in ripening time.

Levi J. Hershberger of this area is not well this summer. He has to have a hired hand to do his work. His trouble is a rheumatic heart and rheumatism in the spine.

Norwich, Ontario, By Daniel L. Stutzman

Rainfall throughout Oxford County was scattered during July with this area receiving very little heavy rains. We had several ½ inch showers different times and on July 31 we had 1.1 in. Despite being short on rain, our crops are thriving with a plentiful supply of ground moisture and very warm weather, especially warm nights. Wheat yield was only fair with much of it too poor quality for milling wheat. The oats crop looks good with some cut and more of it ready when it dries again. Some late fields are quite green yet. Hay was of excellent quality. Corn is growing ears and so far has the potential for an excellent crop. Hogs have gone over \$65 dressed weight.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

Hog price has been up to 66¢ per lb. dressed, but dropped a few cents. Warm first part of month, 4 in. rain latter part of July. Good corn growing weather. Oats is being cut. Cucumbers are a bumper crop.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, by Mrs. Wm. D. Kramer

First half of July was a little on the dry side. Since the 20th we have had nice rains and warm weather, very good growing weather. Crops and gardens look good.

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Martha M. Miller

It has been nice and warm all through July. It rained one day the first week, but haven't had any since. We had some cool and cloudy days the third week-end. It is quite dry right now, need rain badly. Gardens are producing well. Peas and beans are on the list right now, also cucumbers. Flowers are starting to bloom, which makes everything look lovely. Hay is put in and is a good thing, as we had a real soaker the 25th. It has rained every day since except Sunday.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

Ideal haying weather. Wheat is being cut and the oats are ripening. We are having dry weather. It rained a little the week of the 22nd.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

The first part of July was wet, but after the first week the weather cleared with good weather to finish off the haying. Hay was very abundant, some fields were left standing, unneeded. On the 12th we had a good shower, followed by cooler nights and also some warm humid days. No rain fell then until the week of the 23rd, we had a light shower and then a heavy thunderstorm with 1½ to 2 in. rain. Most early planted corn is in tassels, while the later planted corn is also doing well. Early oats is about ready to cut. Fat hogs are at an all time high of 63¢ dressed weight. Feeder pig prices are up again, running from \$28 for pigs just weaned to \$48 for good chunks. Feed prices still continue on an upward trend with concentrate \$17 to \$18 per hundred.

## ASHLAND CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

Bishop Albert J. Keims and Dea. Ferdinand S. Millers had an accident on the way home from church Sunday, July 8th. They had two horses hitched to a two seated spring wagon and when going down a hill one horse fell, breaking the neck yoke strap, which caused the wagon to overturn on the left side of the road. They were all thrown out and got bumps and bruises. Mrs. Miller landed on the pavement and received a broken leg above the knee and also a broken bone in her ankle. She was taken to Ashland Hospital and was in traction for nearly three weeks before they operated and put in a plate. She will have to use crutches for quite some time yet.

### MIFFLIN CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Rudy, age 11, son of Noah and Katie (Zook) Detweiler was in the field raking hay when the horses in some way became scared and started running. (Rudy had once before been involved with a run away team which threw him off.) So this time he tried a different method, he jumped off, but not far enough to avoid being caught. He was dragged along, the prongs of the rake hitting him in the head and legs, one went clear through his hand. The reins finally caught and tangled up in the wheels, which stopped the team. Rudy then climbed out and walked to the house. He was in the hospital five days, had 27 stitches in his forehead, 57 stitches in all over his body. He seems to be getting along fine.

Jonas C. Peachey, 23, Belleville, Pa. was leading a balky cow into a new stable when the cow knocked him down, breaking his hand. He was treated at the dispensary, has his hand in cast, but is able to do some work.

Benjamin Peachey, 60, Belleville, Pa., one of the crew that do custom fence making, had the tractor with the post hole digger to go to the other end of the field. The front wheel hit a big groundhog hole, throwing Ben off, the hind wheel going over his abdomen. He was taken to the hospital and xrayed, which showed fractured pelvis, bruised back and kidneys. He was in the hospital 8 days. His back and kidneys are all right again. He gets around with crutches and a wheelchair, and seems to be getting along remarkably well, but is not to go without his crutches for two weeks.

### HOLMES COUNTY NOTES

Mrs. Crist M. A. Miller received a broken arm when the horse she was driving became unruly. She is in the hospital, had to have surgery to have the arm set, is slowly improving.

Emanuel B. Miller had his 91st birthday July 15. He is still quite active, comes to church regularly, also attends the Sugar Creek sale on Mondays. He stays with his son the Henry E. Millers of Star Route Millersburg, Ohio. He is the oldest member of the East Barrs Mills District. His wife died in 1954.

### MT. ELGIN, ONT. NOTES

Mrs. John Bontrager Jr. had an operation for Gallstones June 14th, and is getting along fine.

Lester, 3-year-old son of Jake G. Stutzman, broke his leg on the eve of July 25th. He will have to be in bed three weeks and in cast three months.

### CONEWANGO VALLEY, N. Y. NOTES

John, two-year-old son of Sam D. and Naomi C. (Kauffman) Miller, fell and broke his leg. He is in traction at the Tri-County Hospital in Gowanda, and is to be there three weeks.

Noah, six-year-old son of Neil C. and Elizabeth B. (Detweiler) Kauffman, was kicked by a horse and broke his leg, both bones were broken. He was taken to the emergency room in the Tri-County Hospital in Gowanda, had a cast put on and was released.

Joe E. Miller had an operation on his knee July 31st for the removal of a cartilage.

### ADAMS COUNTY, IND. NOTES

A large barn on the Reuben S. Hilty, Geneva R2, Ind., farm was burned to the ground early Tuesday Morning, July 10, when struck by lightning. The barn contained a large amount of hay, some just put in the day before. About nine or ten pigs, a calf, a wagon, and some other farm implements were burned. On Thursday, July 26, they had a frolic to rebuild the barn. A large number of men were there. Joe S. Hilty, brother to the owner was helping put up the rafters when he fell over 18 feet, and broke two ribs. He was in the hospital for xray and treatment, but is at home again.

Nate A. Wickey of Monroe R1, Ind. was in the Lutheran Hospital six weeks, from May 23 to July 1, as he has Brights Disease. He had surgery, and was in intensive care part time. His kidneys do not function anymore, and he remains a very weak man. He was at home four weeks and had to go to the hospital twice weekly to use the kidney machine. On July 31st he was rushed back to the hospital by ambulance with police escort when he got worse. He has chest pains. He is married to Elizabeth N. Schwartz, and they have two daughters, Lena 9 and Mary Alice 6. Nate had started to build an addition to his house for his mother, Mary Ann Schwartz, before he had to go to the hospital. Men folks have been working on it nearly every day, in earnest, to try and get it done.

### LANCASTER COUNTY ACCIDENTS

July 8, Stevie, age 17, son of John M. and Sylvia (Zook) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, met with an accident when the car he was riding in ran out of control and hit a telephone pole. He spent about two weeks in the hospital, but is now at home and coming along fairly well. He broke his pelvis in two places and has other bumps and bruises. None of the other four passengers were hurt seriously.

Christ B. Stoltzfus of Gordonville R1, Pa. had a few days stay in the hospital suffering from what was thought to be a broken back but were just hard bruises. He was riding on a two horse wagon when the tongue unhooked from the wagon, throwing Christ off.

Elmer Beiler of Strasburg R1, Pa., son of Pre. Elam Beiler, is in a Philadelphia hospital since July 22. The 21st he was admitted to General Hospital and next day sent to Philadelphia. When hoeing weeds he hit a stone and a piece of the hoe flew, hitting him in the eye. They aren't sure yet if the eye can be saved as it had infection in it.

Jacob M. Lapp of Lancaster R4, Pa., was hospitalized, June 12, with a broken leg and a chipped vertebra. It happened while building a bunk feeder, using a manure loader to lift a steel beam, when almost up the hydraulic hose burst, letting the one end fall on Jacob's foot, throwing him backwards on a block wall. He spent four days in the hospital and has to lie flat on his back for four weeks. His one leg is in cast up over the knee with only the toes out.



*Der Herr ist  
mein Hirte,  
Ps 23:1*



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### THE LITTLE HOUSEHOLD FAIRY

"O AUNT MARY, I wish I were a fairy!" said little Emma Wood, after she had finished reading a book of fairy tales.

"What would you do, Emma, if you were a fairy?" asked her aunt.

"Oh, I would go about doing good all the time! Good little girls should wake up with silver spoons in their mouths, and naughty girls, with pewter ones. I would scatter gold and jewels about, and nobody should do any work."

"You can be a little fairy, if you wish," said her aunt, smiling.

"Can I?" replied Emma; "then I will, just as soon as you tell me how; and I will pay you with a necklace of diamonds."

"I am afraid you can not drop gold and jewels about," said her aunt; "and, if you could, they would, in many cases, only tend to make people unhappy. Neither do I think it would be doing good, to have no work done. All would be idle, and, of course, would not be as happy as those who have something to do."

"Yes," replied Emma; "I always feel very happy when I have finished my sewing, or learned all my lessons."

"There are many kinds of fairies," said her aunt; "and you can be a little household fairy. Smiles and pleasant words often do more good than gold or jewels. 'Pleasant words are as a honey-comb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.'"<sup>\*</sup>

"Oh, yes," said Emma, clapping her hands; "I know now what you mean! I will be kind to every body. I will help Susan Mills get her lessons, and I will be good to little Frank. When he tears my books, or gets my doll, I will not scold him."

"You may write all the good you do in your diary," said her aunt, "and at the end of the week, I will read it, and see what success you have had."

Emma ran out of the room, and soon returned with her bonnet on, leading her little brother by the hand. "I am going to take Frank out on the green, and play with him." When she returned, half an hour afterwards, Frank was in fine spirits, with a wreath of buttercups on his hat, and some pretty pebbles and stones which Emma had picked up for him.

"What makes Emma look so pleasant?" asked her uncle in the evening. "I have not seen such a sweet smile on her face for a long time."

"Oh," said Aunt Mary, "Emma is trying to be a little fairy this week!"

"Yes," said Emma; "what shall I give you—a basket of pearls or rubies?"

"A basket of smiles, and a basket of pleasant words," replied her uncle.

At the end of the week Emma gave her diary to her aunt to read. It was as follows: "I am to be a fairy this week. I will try to make people think they are flowers, and I am a little sunbeam shining upon them."

"Monday. I visited Susan Mills, and read to her. She thanked me so much that I felt ashamed and sorry that I had not done so before, and it was so little too. I will read to her again. I gathered all the flowers that were in blossom in my garden, and carried them to Mrs. Rich, the sick lady. I was going to keep some myself; but I am sure I felt happier than if I had done so."

"Tuesday. I staid at home when I was going to spend the afternoon with Clara Brown; because Aunt Mary's head ached. I told Frank stories to keep him still, and when we went to tea, he kissed me, and said he loved me very much. I am sure I love him. He looks so cunning when he has done any mischief, and seems so sorry for it, that I can not help loving him."

"Wednesday. Clara Brown and I met a little boy carrying a basket of apples. As we were going by him, he spilled them. Clara laughed, and I was about to, when I remembered that I was a little fairy, and helped him pick them up. He said his mother was very poor. I went home with him. He lived in a small, old house. His mother was sick. She said that she had nothing in the house to eat. I gave her a quarter of a dollar that I had in my pocket, and told Aunt Mary about her. She got some sewing for her to do, and helped her a great deal."

"Thursday. I was sick; but I did not cry. I took the bitter medicine without any trouble, and did not speak a cross word, though I felt very cross. The words kept coming; but I shut my mouth very closely, and kept them in."

"Friday. I went to Susan Mills' funeral. I was so sorry she was dead, and felt so sad to see her father and mother cry, that I cried too. I went Saturday, and put some flowers on her grave. When I was coming away, I met Mrs. Mills, and she kissed me, and cried very hard. I cried again. Susan was a good little girl, although she could not get her lessons very well, and I shall miss her very much."

"I was going to be a little fairy to do good to others; but I think I have done myself good. When I have been trying to make others happy, I have felt happy myself. I hope I do not feel proud or vain, and think that I have done a great deal of good. I have not done half as much as I might have done. I am afraid I have tried to do good because I am a fairy, and not because it is my duty. I will not be a fairy anymore. I will only be little Emma Wood."

Emma became a very good little girl. She would sometimes forget herself; but she was generally kind, gentle, and obedient; and, though she dropped the name herself, those who knew her, often called her

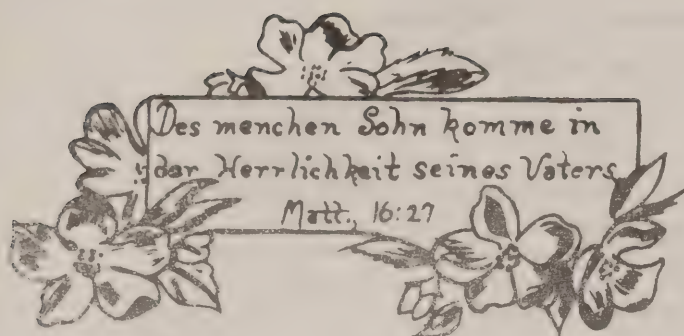
"THE LITTLE HOUSEHOLD FAIRY."

<sup>\*</sup>Proverbs, 16th chapter, 24th verse.

Einem brief geschrieben von Salomon v. Lögner.  
 Augsburg im Jahr 1850. (Im seiner Eltern)

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To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

### THE UMBLE FAMILY

by Levi L. Stoltzfus and Amos L. Fisher

Another important family name among the early Amish of America is the name Umble. It is of Swiss origin and was sometimes spelled "Umel" in Swiss records. Although the name is no longer found among the Amish of the states it is prevalent among the Mennonite circles of the east and mid-western states. Among the Amish names of Lancaster County, Pa. the letter U. is widely used as a middle initial and represents the name Umble.

The earliest arrival of the Umble clan was that of Christian Umble, who came to this country as an orphan boy, prior to 1748. He, with another orphan boy, named John Hooley, came with the family of Dr. Hans (John) Blank.

We should mention here of the family of Dr. Hans Blank because these two orphan boys later married to daughters of the Blank family. The earliest record we have of Dr. Hans Blank is when he purchased a tract of land, in 1755, in Heidelberg Twp., Berks County, Pennsylvania, which was located in the Tulpehocken Valley, several miles southeast of Bernville. In 1769 Dr. Hans Blank purchased two tracts of land in Salisbury Twp., Lancaster County, with part of the eastern tract extending into Chester County. One part is owned at present by Benjamin Allgyer. The other part was in the Blank, or Plank, name continuously till several years ago when an old lady by the name of Bessie Plank, the last Plank land owner, died and the farm was sold. Here Dr. Hans Blank labored on the farm and also practiced medicine till he died in 1790. Here he also selected a site for burial grounds, which now includes several dozen graves. To Dr. Hans Blank and his wife, Magdalena, were born six children, namely: (1) Anna Blank, married to Joseph Hostetler who had been taken captive by the Indians with his father, Jacob Hostetler, at the time of the Hostetler massacre in 1757 in Berks County. We are not certain, but we believe he may have been a deacon, and got the farm from his father-in-law, Dr. Hans Blank, in Heidelberg Twp., Berks County; (2) John Blank, married to Fannie, or Frony, Schmucker, the daughter of Christian and Cathrine (Hesster) Schmucker, the immigrant; (3) Cathrine Blank, married to John Hooley, the orphan boy. He was ordained minister, very likely, in Lancaster County, and lived northeast of Cains along the Welsh Mountains, and later moved to Mifflin Co., Pennsylvania; (4) Barbara Blank, had married a man

by the name of Garver in Berks County, and second to Christian Umble, the other orphan boy that the Blanks had brought along from overseas; (5) Magdalena Blank, married to Christian Zug, a son of the immigrant Christian Zug of Chester County, Pennsylvania; (6) Christianna Blank, married to Jacob Yoder, a son of Strong Jacob Yoder of Caernarvon Township. We would like to mention here that as far as is known to the writers there is no relation between Dr. Hans Blank of Cains in Salisbury Twp. and that of Bishop John Blank of Spring Garden, also of Salisbury Twp. Bishop John Blank, born about 1755, died 1835, was a son of John and Mary (Eichelman) Blank of Calico Township, or West Conestoga District.

Will again proceed with the Umble Family. As stated above, Christian Umble, the orphan, married the widow, Barbara (Blank) Garver, and resided on the farm northwest of Gap in Salisbury Township, now owned by Harvey Keller. To this union were born three children, namely: John Umble, Henry Umble, and Christian Umble who was somewhat disabled and died single. They also had two daughters from Barbara (Blank) Garver's former marriage, named Mary Garver, married to John Yoder, a son of Strong Jacob Yoder; and Barbara Garver, who died single in 1831 or 1832.

John Umble, born January 15, 1781, died May 27, 1861, was the oldest in the family of Christian and Barbara Umble, and married to Mary, or sometimes called Polly, Kurtz (died 1869), the daughter of John and Veronica (Zook) Kurtz, who lived along the west side of the Conestoga Creek in Manheim Township (adjoining lands with Eli B. and his son, Stevie Stoltzfus) which he purchased from his father, Jacob (Yockley) Kurtz in 1748, which is now a Shirk farm. John and Mary Umble got the home farm in Salisbury Township, north of Gap, from their father, Christian Umble, and lived there most of their lives. It appears that the health of John Umble failed somewhat in the later years of his life, as his wife, Mary, made her last will and testament and ordered that her husband should be taken care of by the children as long as he lived. But it so happened that he died eight years before she did. They are both buried in the Millwood Cemetery.

To them were born nine children, of which we have record of only eight, which are: (1) Elizabeth, (2) John, (3) Christian, (4) Fannie, (5) Nancy, (6) Jacob, (7) Henry, (8) Joseph. Henry, born Jan. 27, 1826, died single Oct. 9, 1883. He traveled west before the Civil War and was in the grain business at Chicago. In 1867 he moved to Evansville, Indiana, there he died in 1883 as a patient sufferer, losing both legs above the knees from gangrene. His corpse was brought to Lancaster City and interred in the Woodward Hill Cemetery.

As you notice above, the first child of John and Mary Umble was Elizabeth, born April 12, 1811, died October 21, 1853, married and was the first wife of John Stoltzfus, or better known as "der Prediger Groffdale John." The aged deceased Jacob Speicher had told the writer that Pre. John Stoltzfus had lived on the Speicher Farm, just south of Hinkletown, when



he was ordained to the ministry. The day of the ordination he was unable to attend Communion Services on account of sickness in the family. The votes were cast and the lots were drawn, and the book with the ordination paper was left for its missing member, John Stoltzfus, who, when visited by the elders of the church, accepted the call and was ordained a minister of the Gospel, in which he labored for forty years. A few years after he was ordained to the ministry, feeling he was too far away from his congregation, he moved farther south, on the farm where Pre. John K. Lapp and his son, John Lapp Jr., now live. We will give a brief outline of their family, as we believe there are very few families from which their branches supplied more bishops, ministers, and deacons throughout the Amish and Mennonite churches of Lancaster County, as did the family of Groffdale John Stoltzfus and his wife, Elizabeth Umble.

The first child was (1) Nancy, married to Christian Lapp, they started keeping house in the small house which stood along the road between Gordonville and Soudersburg on the farm now owned by David L. Stoltzfus. The farm had been owned by Deacon Amos Lapp, son of Christian, then by Levi Lapp, next by Abraham Lapp, and now by the present owner. The grounds which first belonged to the farm were thirteen acres with a small house situated along the road where the garden now is, the small house being in the pasture field opposite the lane from where the house stood. This being the same property that Michael Lapp Sr. had purchased for his daughter, Barbara Lapp, who had been married to David Kurtz. David died as a young man at Sorrel Horse, now called Fetersville. Barbara moved to the thirteen acre farm before she moved to Canada, and from there to Massillon, Ohio, with her four children. After the building of the Pennsylvania Railroad, it running through the Jacob Weaver farm and making it rather inconvenient for farming, he sold sixty some acres on the south side of the railroad to Christian and Nancy Lapp, who then erected a new set of farm buildings. Two of their sons were deacons; Jacob Lapp, a grandson, is deacon; their grandson, John S. Lapp, was a minister, and several of their great-grandchildren are bishops at the present time.

Next on the list of children of John and Elizabeth (Umbel) Stoltzfus is (2) John U. Stoltzfus, married to Rachel Mast, a daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast. They resided in the Conestoga Valley. There is a large offspring of this family throughout Lancaster County, including several great-grandchildren as bishops. Next is (3) Jonas Stoltzfus, married to Cathrine Mast, a sister to his brother John's wife. They also resided in the Conestoga Valley and had ten children, all of whom married and had offspring; (4) Fannie Stoltzfus, married to Henry Fisher, who resided in the Upper Pequea District of Lancaster County; (5) Daniel Stoltzfus, married Rebecca Stoltzfus, he was a minister in the Amish Mennonite Church at Morgantown; (6) Henry Stoltzfus, married to Malinda Stoltzfus, daughter of Tennessee John Stoltzfus; (7) Christian Stoltzfus, married to Malinda Mast, he was a deacon of the Amish Men-

nonite Church at Morgantown; (8) Amos Stoltzfus, married to Emma Mast, one of their grandsons is Amos U. Glick, a minister of the Upper Millcreek District; (9) Elizabeth Stoltzfus, married to Joel Fisher of Ronks, Bishop Sylvan Stoltzfus is a grandson; (10) Deacon Samuel U. Stoltzfus, married to Elizabeth Zook, they being the grandparents of Pre. Samuel U. Fisher and Pre. Lloyd M. Beiler.

In 1853 Elizabeth Umble, wife of Groffdale John Stoltzfus, died leaving him with ten children. He then got a housekeeper by the name of Elizabeth Nafzinger, being about thirty four years old. After being there awhile a man by the name of David Mast, from the Conestoga Valley, came riding in to see John about marrying his housekeeper, as John was a minister of the church. So he went to talk to her and told her what the man wanted. He also said he would give her the same privilege if she wanted to stay, whereupon she replied she would, so they were married February 5, 1857. To this union were born two children, Isaac Stoltzfus, and Bena Stoltzfus who was the second wife of John Smoker and were the parents of Elizabeth Smoker, married to Pre. John K. Lapp of the home place.

There appeared an obituary in the local newspaper giving her death and an account of the life of Elizabeth Nafzinger in full, which is as follows:

Elizabeth (Nafzinger) Stoltzfus died Oct. 20, 1907 at her home of infirmities of old age, 87 years 9 months 4 days. The funeral services were held Oct. 23, conducted by Henry Stoltzfus and Jacob Lapp, Text II Tim. 4:7-8. She was the widow of the late Johnnie Stoltzfus of New Holland RD and born in Germany Jan. 16, 1820. In the year 1827 her parents took ship for this country and landed at Baltimore Nov. 27, 1827. There were 7 children, the oldest being less than 10 years and the youngest less than 1 year. On the voyage the father and a daughter took sick and died were buried at sea. This left a widow and 6 children to be cared for.

After a brief stay at Baltimore without any friends they set out for Philadelphia Pa., where they landed with financial means almost exhausted. They first settled at Malvern in Chester Co. on the Christian Zug farm, later in Lancaster Co. The children were put out among strangers as they became old enough to work for their keeping.

She united with the Amish church in her youth and stayed steadfast to the end. She had been feeble for about 4 years but was able to be up and around, within 5 weeks of her death, when she fell and hurt her leg from which she never recovered. She leaves two children, Bena wife of John Smucker and Isaac Stoltzfus both of New Holland RD. Four grandchildren, one brother Pete Nafzinger Baltimore Co. Maryland. She was the daughter of the late Peter & Jacobina Nafzinger.

Her sister Magdalena born Illbach Germany Apr. 28, 1821 Married Mosie Hartz died Mar. 3, 1901.

John & Bena Smucker, his second wife, had a daughter Lizzie married to John K. Lapp.

To be continued





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Michel Schebelt (Tschabold), 45 J., Frau 48 J., Kind 10 J.  
Daniel Schebelt, ledig, 50 J.

Hans van Gunte (von Gunten), 50 J., hat Frau und Kinder verlassen.

Margrieta Biere (Bieri), 50 J., hat Mann und 4 Kinder verlassen.

Marg. Umel, 50 J., ledig; 1 Deckbett, 11 R.

Babe Neufomet (Neufomm), 32 J., ledig; 8 R.

Diese Obigen halten sich alle zu Chriessum auf.

Anna Neuwchwanger (Neuenschwander), 30 J., hat 1 Kind bei sich und den Mann mit 5 Kindern verlassen. In Wachenheim:

Hans Encher, 36 J., Frau 33 J., 5 Kinder von  $1\frac{1}{2}$ —13 J.; 1 Pferd und 1 Deckbett.

Hans Reufcher (Reußer), 51 J., Frau 53 J.; 62 R.

Daniel Reufcher, des Obigen verheirateter Sohn.

Hans Reufcher, 30 J., Frau 21 J., 1 Kind 1 J. a.; 26 R.

Alle in Nieder-Alersheim.

Froma Nobel (?), 59 J., hat den Mann mit 4 Kindern und 10 Enkeln verlassen.

Marg. Antony, 50 J., hat Mann und 7 Kinder verlassen; 1 Deckbett.

Christian R. hat Weib und 1 Kind verlassen.

Diese sind zu Ober-Alersheim.

Anna Neufommet, 30 J., 5 R., das älteste 7 J., hat den Mann und 2 R. verlassen; 1 Deckbett und 11 R.

Catrien Denzeler (Denzler), 70 J., 2 Töchter, eine ledig und eine, Babe, hat den Mann mit 4 R. verlassen, das jüngste ist unterwegs gestorben; 2 Deckbetten und 6 R.

Christian Neufommet, 38 J., Frau 32 J., 6 R. von  $1\frac{1}{2}$ —11 J., das siebente wird erwartet; 1 Deckbett und 2 R.

Hans Neufommet, 27 J., Frau 35 J., 2 R.; 1 Deckbett.

Christiaan Stauffert (Staufer), 34 J., Frau 30 J., 5 R. von  $1\frac{1}{4}$ —9 J.; 1 Deckbett und 9 R.

Peter Kriegsvoeter (?), 40 J., Frau 37 J., 5 R. von 5—16 J.; 1 Deckbett.

Hans Welte (Wälti), 30 J., hat die Frau verlassen; 12 R.

Diese halten sich in Spreßum auf.

Ulrich Strom (Strahm), 50 J., Frau 40 J., 10 R., 6 bei sich, 4 verlassen, von 1—22 J.; 25 R. In Apesheim.

Ulrich Witmer (Wiedmer), 53 J., Frau 43 J., 6 R. von 9—23 J.; 14 R.

Christian Mari, 60 J., Frau 50 J. und Schwestertöchterchen 13 J.; Deckbett und 45 R.

Babe Ringelsbacher (Kindliebacher), 35 J., hat Mann und 3 R. verlassen; 5 R.

Magdalena Ruite (Rüthi), 32 J., hat Mann und 1 R. verlassen; 4 R.

Diese halten sich in Wolfsheim auf.

Peter Welte, 38 J., Frau 25 J., 2 R. und eines erwartend; 5 R.  
Marg. Bouman (Baumann), hat Mann und 5 R. verlassen.

Diese halten sich in Weynum auf.

Chr. Stauffert, über 90 J., seine zweite Frau 70 J. Er ist Vater, Großvater und Urgroßvater von 94 Nachkommen, von denen 16 gestorben und 78 noch leben.

Mr. Stauffert, 42 J., hat Frau und 6 R. verlassen; 1 Deckbett und 5 R.; des Obigen Sohn.

Anna Staufferin, 52 J., 6 R. von 13—23 J., hat 3 R. bei ihr und den Mann und 3 R. verlassen.

Daniel Stauffert, 39 J., Frau 43 J., 6 R. und eines erwartend, haben das älteste von 17 J. bei ihnen und 5 verlassen; 2 Deckbetten und  $13\frac{1}{2}$  R.

Hans Stauffert 27 J., ledig, Enkel von Nr. 40.

Babe Yeeman (Yehmann), 76 J., hat Mann und 4 R. verlassen; 1 Deckbett und 5 R.

Mr. Ruener (Ruhn oder Rühni), 62 J., Frau 57 J., haben 1 Kind bei sich und 5 verlassen, von 15—30 J., das älteste hat 1 R. von 24 Stunden.

Elis. Einzeberger (Eichenberger), 70 J., hat Mann und 3 R. verlassen; 1 Deckbett und  $3\frac{1}{2}$  R.

Michel Schenk, 81 J., hat Frau und 14 R. und 2 Urenkel verlassen.

Des Obigen Sohn, 32 J., Frau 30 J., 4 R. von 1—11 J.; 2 Deckbetten und 6 R.

Babe Stalte (Stalder), 70 J., 9 R., 2 bei sich und 7 verlassen, eines 20 J.; 1 Deckbett und 10 R.

Niclaes Heiter (?), 57 J., hat Frau und 5 R. verlassen; 2 R.

Hans Jurien (?), 65 J., Frau 60 J., 2 R. verlassen und 1 bei sich; 2 Deckbetten und 30 R.

Magd. Kropf, Witwe, 60 J., 3 R. verlassen; 6 R.

Babe Wielman (?), 50 J., ledig,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  R.

Michiel Müller, 31 J., Frau 50 J.; 1 Deckbett.

Mr. Stauffer, 24 J., ledig, hat Vater, Mutter und 6 Schwestern verlassen; 5 R.

Nath. Ruene (Rühni), 50 J., ledig, hat 5 Schwestern verlassen; 3 R.

Pet. Bachman, 40 J., ledig; 2 R.

Hans Müller, Witwer, 80 J., und 1 Tochter, eine Witwe von 50 J.; 1 Deckbett.

Christian Schenk, 95 J., Witwer, hat 1 Tochter von 68 J., die ihren Mann verlassen hat und 1 Tochter von 60 J. Er hat noch 3 Kinder, 11 Enkel und 6 Urenkel.

Uriel Paubele (?), Witwe, 50 J., 2 R., das ältere 14 J., das jüngste verlassen; 5 R.

Babe Bürki, 60 J., hat 4 R. verlassen; 5 R.

Hans Cymann, 80 J., hat Frau und 1 R. mit 8 Enkeln verlassen und 3 R. mitgebracht;  $11\frac{1}{2}$  R.

Hans Cymann, 50 J., hat Frau und 5 R. verlassen;  $11\frac{1}{2}$  R.

Mr. Eymann, 42 J., Frau 30 J., 1 K. von 5 J.; 2 Deckbetten, 1 Kuh und 40 K.

Hans Roet (Rupp oder Roth?), 40 J., Frau 45 J., 5 K. von 5—19 J.; 1 Deckbett und 13 K.

Hans Schneider, 30 J., Frau 28 J., 3 K. unter 7 J.; 1 Deckbett und 5 K.

Babe Kieffer, 71 J., 3 K.; 2 K.

Christ. Wenger, 75 J., Witwer, hat 6 K. verlassen und 1 bei sich; 8 K.

Steffen Yeuchter (?), ledig, 70 J.; 10 K.

Mr. Vichte, 32 J., Frau 34 J. Die Frau und 5 K. von 9 Monaten bis 10 Jahren sind noch zurück und werden erwartet; 4 K.

Peter Boongaert (Baumgartner), 71 J., Frau 65 J., haben 2 K. und 9 Enkel verlassen; 10 K.

Maria Knoebel (Knubel), 65 J., Witwe, hat 1 K. und 8 Enkel verlassen; 5 K.

Diese Obigen halten sich auf dem Ibschheimer Hof auf.

Barber Fredericks (Friedrich), 64 J., hat ihren Mann von 80 J. und 7 K. verlassen und 2 Töchter von 35 und 28 J.; 5 K.

Barber Schenk, 30 J., hat den Mann und 1 K. verlassen, 1 Mädchen von 16 J. und 1½ K. mitgebracht.

Diese halten sich zu Eshofen auf.

The paragraph following this refugee list gives us more details concerning the number of the group and living conditions. It clearly states that about eighty families, out of our seven hundred person group, settled in the Pfaltz. Here we also learn that there were some widows and widowers among them, but most shocking of all is to learn how families were split, even man and wife were separated. This one is hard for a reader to digest. We must remember that every person has his own mind, and when approached to sudden reality even the strong ones are prone to bend, and we know there are always weak ones in the fold. What a test to their faith!

The other thing we learn from this list is about the material goods they took along. Since most of them traveled by foot their possessions were now what they could carry on their backs. If we can imagine that these eighty families moved into the Pfaltz to life among their brethren who had made the same journey, under same conditions, only from ten to twenty years earlier. The Pfaltzish Gemein was now obligated to care for them, one gemein west of the Rhein and the Heidelberg Gemein.

Perhaps this gemein was by now established fairly well, or could stand on their own feet after building up a land of desolate conditions of the Thirty Year War aftermath. But according to a letter on the next page of this book they were in no way prepared to care for this number of refugees. This letter, signed by Uli Seyler and Gorge Liechti of the Pfaltz Gemein, makes it clear that the number of and conditions of these refugees was more than they could support, and the letter, addressed to the Hollandish Gemein, asks for aid.

Much like our growing crops out in the fields when they suffer from drought they root down deep, much so was the suffering of our forefathers in the

Pfaltz, at home they were forsaken, in this new land they suffered poverty, loneliness and other afflictions, but amid all this they were caused to root down deep in faith, to produce a plant that would withstand conditions, or to survive for a time to be transplanted and to grow in America.

At any rate, this Pfaltzish Church did survive and grow. Here again we resort to the studies of Ernst Müller. On page 209 he releases a fine report of the churches in 1731, "Taufgesinnte in der ober Pfaltz Gemein (ober Mannheim)." Here he lists thirteen gemeinden and 160 families. In the Pfaltz unter Mannheim he lists fourteen gemeinden. From these lists we can gain much knowledge to our family names. Space will not permit to list them all. But we can abstract many names identical to our family names found in "Our Fatherland in America" territory. We may also include some other typical Amish and Mennonite names of today:

Han Jacob Hiestand, Johann Huntzinger, Chr. Eicher, Dutweiler, Jac. Gut, Han Schantz, Jacob Schneider, Hans Berger, Han Burkhalter, Chr. Stauffer, Heinrich Becker, Chr. Weber, Hein Rupp, Joh. Schmitt, Jacob Müller, Abr. Brubaker, Johann Neff, Hans Langenacker, Ulrich Steckley, Hans Wittmer, Jacob Lehman, Jacob Kauffman, Peter Krähenbühl, Michel Wagner, Hans Kündig, Melchoir Bauman, Hans Schenk, David Kauffman, Valentine Wagner, Chr. Kleh, Peter Neuenschwander, Nicholas Strahm, Hans Landis, Peter Moser, Ulrich Burkhalter, Chr. Martin, Samuel Hesz, Martin Meyer, Hans Huber, Jb. Oberholtzer, Peter Graf, Chr. Schenk, Jb. Kraitter, Heinrich Kündig, Heinrich Beer, Sam. Funk, Hans Frei, Heinrich Muller, Hans Buhler, Hans Gut, Hans Rohrer, and Hans Jacob Kauffman.

These lists clearly state the minister and deacon of each gemein. Another point we get from these lists is that they were all set close together. None of them are more than three stunden (3 hours) apart. One thing these reports do not point out clearly is if they had meeting houses built to worship in or if these are districts where they met in homes like the Swiss custom. A close study of these lists seems to point to districts meeting in homes. The largest district has fifty six families which is generally considered at the point of time to divide a district. The smallest district has thirteen families. In contrast to this we have sufficient evidence to know that meeting houses did exist in the Pfaltz as early as 1698.

Now just a few more notes from the Ernst Müller study: "Deise Pfalzer gemeinden pflegten mit den Schweizerischer bekehr." That this church in the Pfaltz clung close to the Swiss Amend is certain. But Müller goes on to say that by 1752 some of the old church leaders died off and they started to build new church houses, and that by today (1895) the Bernese element is being vertreten (stamped out) fast. Furthermore, he states that the Swiss family names are still there but the element of the old church is gone.

Joseph F. Beiler



## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

## Preimmigration Conditions

## \*The Great Exodus

Continued from last month

Here Peter Grayenbühl further relates that his brother Michael sailed to America with his wife and her parents and that he has never heard of him since. He, with his youngest brother Yost, journeyed on to Kurpfaltz. There a certain Karl Ludwig would be glad to take in Swiss refugees. Further on he points out how they were reluctant to leave Bern, a flourishing and bountiful country, where people lived well on green fields with fat cattle, and face the adverse conditions they saw as they entered into French and German territories which were left desolate by the Thirty Years War (Switzerland was neutral).

Now it must be remembered that there were continuous moveouts of the Swiss Brethren from the beginning, but that they were spotty, or scattered, and in minor groups. Not until 1671 was a real move significant. By this letter of Grayenbühl we learn that seven hundred persons, or as much as five average church districts, left at one time. We suppose there were other moves later on, and we can only roughly estimate that by 1790 - 1800 there were still at least that number left to dwell in the cantons of Switzerland.

From "Geschichte des Mennoniten" by Daniel K. Cassel we find a whole chapter (page 191) taken from reports of a certain Heinrich Zschokke who toured the Amish Mennonite regions of Switzerland. From this report we learn that the church was yet strong, they worshipped in homes (abweckselnd), sometimes in barns and even in the open. Their prayerbooks and hymnbooks were of genuine An-

baptist origin, and so was their mode of life and practice of faith, in large unchanged from the beginning, as late as 1830. The author of this 1890 book gives us a clue that this Swiss Church has changed in this period of sixty years and that the non-resistant element is growing extinct. However, the Zschokke report fails to mention any numbers of the group (in 1830) nor do we get any idea of how many church districts or ministers there were in Switzerland at that time. This report, as well as the Grayenbühl story, fails to mention family names.

Perhaps one of the best sources to family names of our Swiss Church is found in "Bernischen Täufer" by Müller who lists whole groups of names as they fled from Switzerland and migrated to other countries in Europe. The early ones of these were to Holland. Although not so many of these names fall in our lineage, it is nevertheless of interest to note the names that originate in Switzerland. The first notable list is in 1660: Jacob Schlapach, Ulrich Baumgartner, Jacob Gut, Christen Christen, Rudolf Wirtz, Benedict Baumgartner, Han Zaugg, Peter Frider, Matthys Kauffman, and Hans Wenger.

In the next chapter Müller also mentions the 1671 move. On page 195 he quotes in German as follows: "Im jahr 1671 war die bedragnis so grosz geworden das ungefähr 700 personen, klein und grosz, sich genotigt sahen, ihrem vaterland den ricken zu kehren. Sie zogen nach der Pfaltz." Here Müller gives a list of seventy five family heads. This list is of rare nature as it is so detailed to names, age, and also states what they took along and what was left behind.

It would not be practical, or hardly possible to copy this list and reset it in English letters to bring out the full value of its contents to point out many familiar family lines and describe the prevailing conditions of the great exodus, so we will present a copy of the list.

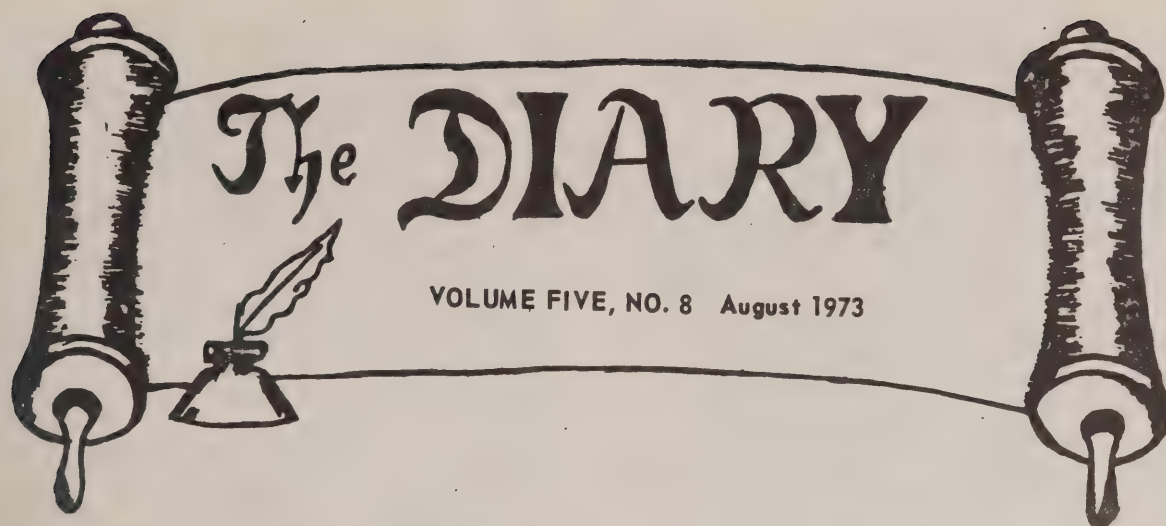
Die Namen in ( ) sind die heutige Schreibweise nach unserem Urteil.

Georg Nict (Nichti), 59 Jahre alt, ledig, hat 14 Reichsthaler.  
Hans Borcholter (Burtthaler), 65 J. a., seine Frau 55 J., 7 Kinder, das älteste 25 J. alt, und das jüngste 17 J.: 1 Pferd, 2 Deckbetten, 10 R. (Reichsthaler).  
Michiel Ossebeen (Schjenbein), 69 J., 5 Kinder, ohne Frau, 2 Töchter von 30 und 20 J., ledig.  
Adam Borcholter, 60 J., Frau 60 J., 5 K. von 13—26 J., ledig; 1 Pferd und 9 R.  
Christiaan Umel (Ummel) 39 J., Frau 47 J., 5 K. von 6—21 J.; 1 Pferd, 2 Deckbetten, 1 Unterbett und 58 R.  
Welschior Breinman (?), 40 J., Frau 35 J., 7 K. von 1½—15 J.; 1 Pferd, 1 Ober- und 1 Unterbett, 43 R.  
Margriet Beigeler (Beieker), 72 J., Witwe; Unter- und Oberbett, 43 R.  
Babe Schlappe (Schläppi), 18 J., hat Vater, Mutter und 8 Schwestern verlassen.  
Fronia Engel, Waise, 15 J.  
Ulrich Encher (Emch?), 32 J., Frau 18 J.; 68 R.  
Babe Kenffer (Kenffer oder Kenfer?), über 80 J.

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### ONE-YEAR-OLD GIRL KILLED BY TRUCK

Ruth Ann Glick, daughter of Leroy S. and Savilla (Beiler) Glick, of 2469 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, Pa., was killed when she was run over by a truck on her father's farm early Wednesday p.m., August 8. The child was playing under the truck during the lunch hour. When an employee of Leroy's moved the truck forward the other three children were told to go out of the way but Ruth was unnoticed until too late. She was rushed to the hospital where she died an hour later of head injuries. (See obituary)

### CENTRE CO., PA. GIRL FELL FROM SILO

Aug. 22, Lydiann, 5-year-old daughter of Enos and Lavina (Esch) King of Star Route Rebersburg, Pa. fell about 30 feet from a silo which she climbed while playing. She suffered a fractured skull and a broken leg, also brain damage. She was rushed by ambulance to Centre Community Hospital at State College, but was there only a short time when they sent her to Geisinger Medical Center at Danville, Pa. There she underwent a five-hour operation, during which, among other things, they removed a small portion of her brain. She was still in the hospital at the end of the month, and was improving slowly, but her right side was still paralyzed. She has three brothers and three sisters.

### ALLEN CO., IND. MAN HAS BROKEN NECK

August 10, Jacob Schmucker, in his early 30's, received a broken neck falling 14 ft. by going up the elevator to hay mow to unload bales. He followed his brother-in-law when someone put a bale behind him. The bale bumped him and caused him to fall. He was walking to the house when he realized he had a head injury. He was in the hospital four days and has to wear a brace for some time. He is a son of Noah and Ida Schmucker and his wife, Emma, is a daughter of the late John and Rosa Schwartz.

### IND. WOMAN KILLED IN IOWA ACCIDENT

Katie, age 65, wife of Levi J. Miller of Middlebury, Ind., passed away Saturday morning, August 11, at Des Moines, Iowa, after suffering internal injuries from an automobile accident in Iowa Aug. 3. She had been to Kansas to attend a funeral and were on their way home when their van was struck from the rear on Interstate 80 near Newton. Levi Bontrager, the driver of the van lost control, went off the road, up an embankment, and the van rolled over twice before falling back on the road. The other passengers were her husband, Levi; Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Bontrager, of Goshen, Ind.; Mrs. Ervin C. Miller of Middlebury, Ind.; and Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bontrager as drivers.

(See obituary)

### INJURIES FATAL TO ASHLAND, OHIO WOMAN

Mrs. Paul (LeAnna H. Yoder) Hershberger, 20, of Ashland R1, Ohio, her 10 mo. old daughter, Laura; her sister, Rosie 12, her brother, Harley Jr. 10, children of Harley S. Yoders of Olivesburg Rd., Ashland, Ohio, were traveling on the state highway with horse and buggy at 8:20 p.m., Aug 23rd, when they were hit in the rear by an intoxicated driver. Mrs. Hershberger was pronounced dead at 12:10 a.m. Rosie and Junior were still unconscious and in critical condition. Baby Laura received some bruises. The horse was instantly killed and the buggy completely demolished.

(See obituary)

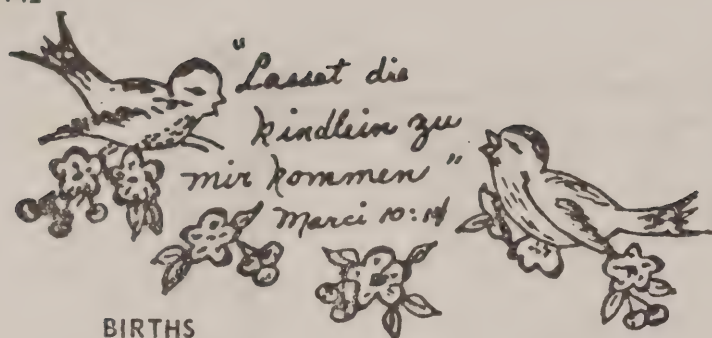
### WAYNE CO., OHIO BOY SUFFOCATED

August 1, Andy, 4-year-old son of Andy M. and Lydia (Troyer) Miller of Fredericksburg R2, Ohio, somehow got in the granary while they were below loading wheat for market. They did not discover it until the child was dead.

### WAYNE COUNTY CHILD DROWNED

August 23, the one-year-old child of Jacob E. Schlabachs of Dalton R2, Ohio, crawled into the milk house and drowned in the water trough.





## BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania  
 BEILER, Amos E. (Lovina Yoder) Strasburg R1  
 a son JONAS, August 14  
 BEILER, David (Elizabeth Beiler) Ronks R1  
 a son AARON Y., August 11  
 EBERSOL, Eli S. (Lydia K. Miller) Strasburg R1  
 a daughter RACHEL M., August 4  
 ESH, Daniel (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3  
 a daughter MALINDA, August 13  
 ESH, Daniel S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Bart  
 a son ERVIN L., August 10  
 ESH, John M. (Sara L. Smucker) Narvon R1  
 a daughter BARBARA S., August 21  
 ESH, Jonas E. (Fannie Zook) 534 Willow Rd., Lanc.  
 a son ENOS, August 11  
 FISHER, Benuel L. (Rebecca S. Stoltzfus) N. Cherry  
 Lane, Ronks R1, a son ELAM, August 23  
 FISHER, David F. (Mary King) Strasburg R1  
 a daughter MARY, August 17  
 FISHER, Elam K. (Mary S. Blank) Quarryville R3  
 a son JOHN E., August 29  
 FISHER, Isaac K. (Rebecca S. Beiler) Peach Bottom  
 R2, a son SAMMIE, August 4  
 FISHER, Reuben S. (Barbara F. Stoltzfus) Quarryville  
 R3, a son MELVIN D., August 10  
 GLICK, Benjamin L. (Anna Esh) Gap R2  
 a son MERVIN, August 4  
 KING, Abner F. (Rebecca D. Zook) Kinzers R1  
 a son STEVEN JAY, August 30  
 KING, Benjamin G. (Barbara Miller) Quarryville R3  
 a son ELMER M., August 30  
 KING, John A. (Emma G. Esh) Kinzers R1  
 a son Christian K., August 19  
 KING, Jonathan Z. (Fannie R. Beiler) 262 Strasburg  
 Pike, Lancaster R4, a son JOSEPH C., August 21  
 KING, Samuel S. (Mary Allgyer) Oxford R1  
 a son DANIEL A., August 4  
 LAPP, Aaron E. (Mattie S. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter SYLVIA S., August 20  
 LAPP, Daniel E. (Lydia K. King) 1250 Penn Grant Rd.  
 a son SAMUEL K., August 10  
 LAPP, Levi A. (Rachel K. Fisher) Quarryville R2  
 a daughter LYDIA, August 12  
 LAPP, Sylvan B. (Lydia King) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter MARY, August 15  
 MILLER, Aaron (Lydia Blank) Leola R1  
 a son CHRISTIE, August 2  
 MILLER, Joseph S. (Annie K. Lapp) Paradise R1  
 a son DANIEL L., August 8  
 PETERSHEIM, Daniel F. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) Gordon-  
 ville R1, a son ELI S., August 9

RIEHL, Aquilla S. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Kirkwood R1  
 a son STEPHEN S., August 1  
 RIEHL, David (Emma Stoltzfus) Narvon R1  
 a daughter ELIZABETH ANN, August 22  
 STOLTZFUS, Amos L. (Katie Esh) Kinzers R1  
 a son BENUEL E., August 23  
 STOLTZFUS, Bennie S. (Annie L. Stoltzfus) Gap R2  
 a daughter SADIE S., August 6  
 STOLTZFUS, Chester S. (Mary E. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
 a daughter LAVINA E., August 23  
 STOLTZFUS, Daniel B. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Narvon R1  
 a daughter SADIE, August 1  
 STOLTZFUS, Daniel Z. (Mary S. King) Honey Brook R1  
 a daughter BARBARA, July 11  
 STOLTZFUS, Elam (Priscilla Riehl) Gap R1  
 a daughter SADIE MAE, August 14  
 STOLTZFUS, Eli B. (Mima Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
 a son CHRISTIAN, August 7  
 STOLTZFUS, Isaac (Marian Stoltzfus) Willow Road  
 Lancaster, a son BEN, June 15  
 STOLTZFUS, D. John B. (Anna M. Beiler) Kinzers R1  
 a daughter ROSA LYNN, August 1  
 STOLTZFUS, John D. (Mary E. Esh) Quarryville R3  
 a daughter MIMA, August 13  
 STOLTZFUS, John O. (Naomi King) Honey Brook R2  
 twin daughters NAOMI ROSE & NORMA ROSE, Aug. 6  
 STOLTZFUS, John S. (Lydia Esh) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter LYDIA, August 14  
 STOLTZFUS, Jonathan (Amanda Lapp) Gordonville R1  
 a son ALVIN L., August 10  
 STOLTZFUS, Joseph B. (Mary R. Beiler) Christiana R1  
 a daughter EMMA B., August 10  
 YODER, Ben (Leah King) 2008 Horseshoe Rd.  
 Lancaster R4, a daughter LINDA, August 5  
 ZOOK, Benjamin R. (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) New Holland  
 R1, a daughter ELLA S., August 3  
 ZOOK, John A. (Sadie Fisher) Gap R1  
 a daughter FANNIE MAE, August 23

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## Dover, Delaware

BONTRAGER, David E. (Lena Miller) Dover R6  
a daughter MAGDALENA, August 5  
MAST, Elmer N. (Fannie Yoder) Dover R5  
a son EZRA, August 13  
MAST, Henry A. (Katie Beachy) Dover R2  
a son WILLIAM, August 17  
MAST, Jonas N. (Clara Mast) Dover R5  
a son HENRY, August 15  
MILLER, Jonas M. (Sarah Miller) Dover R6  
a daughter VERA MAE, August 8  
YODER, Mose D. (Anna Miller) Wyoming R1  
a son WILLIAM, August 18

## Oakland, Maryland

KAUFFMAN, Wayne (Mattie Miller) Oakland  
a son STEVEN JAMES, June 11  
KINSINGER, Noah (Thelma Petersheim) Oakland  
a daughter MARIE, July 1  
MILLER, Levi (Mary Yoder) Oakland  
a son JAMES LEE, June 18  
NISSLEY, Vernon (Mary Yoder) Oakland  
a son WAYNE ALLEN, May 11  
SWARTZENTRUBER, Owen (Edna Petersheim)  
a son SIMON, May 21

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

HOSTETLER, Isaac (Lydia Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall  
a son BENNIE, August 21  
STOLTZFUS, Daniel U. (Nancy Yoder) Mechanicsville  
a daughter EMMA, August 20

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LANTZ, Aaron K. (Priscilla Kauffman) Myerstown R2  
a son SYLVAN, August 2  
LAPP, David F. (Sylvia Zook) Myerstown R2  
a daughter FANNIE, August 10

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Sam R. (Ada Wengerd)  
a daughter MATTIE, August 26  
PEACHEY, John K. (Fannie Weaver)  
a daughter KATHY MAE, August 15  
TROYER, Emanuel A. O. (Fannie Yoder)  
a son MARK, August 13  
WENGERD, Dan M. (Amelia Yoder)  
a daughter RACHEL, August 24

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Daniel (Olive Peachey) Belleville  
a son DAVID, August 26  
PEIGHT, Stephen (Fannie Swarey) Belleville  
a daughter SARAH, August 15  
SWAREY, Stephen (Nancy Peachey) Allensville  
twin sons JOHN and JACOB, August 15

## Centre County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Eli M. (Mary Glick)  
a daughter VERA, August 25  
FISHER, Reuben E. (Rachel Stoltzfus)  
a son ELI, August 8  
MILLER, Ammon H. (Sylvia Glick)  
a daughter SALINA, August 4

## Path Valley, Pennsylvania

HERTZLER, Reuben (Sarah Hostetler)  
a daughter REBECCA, July 28

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Amos L. (Lydia Zook) Salisbury R1  
a son BENNIE A., July 31

## New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Ben E. (Emma Kurtz)  
a daughter LYDIA, August 22  
BYLER, Chris H. (Emma A. Byler)  
a daughter NANCY, August 25  
BYLER, David J. (Mary V. Byler)  
a son EMANUEL, August 16  
BYLER, Enos S. (Mary D. Kurtz)  
a daughter ANNA, August 3  
BYLER, Rudy J. (Lovina C. Byler)  
a son HARVEY, August  
BYLER, Yost V. (Lena Lee)  
a daughter KATIE, August 10  
HOSTETLER, Andy Y. (Tena Hostetler)  
a daughter MARY, August 26  
KURTZ, Chris R. (Malinda J. Byler)  
a daughter SARAH, August 15  
MAST, Eli J. (Lizzie J. Byler)  
a son DAN, August 29

## Wayne and Holmes Counties, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, John J. (Ada Garber) Dundee R1  
a daughter MAE, August 20  
DETWEILER, Eli (Susie Miller) Sugarcreek R1  
a son  
MAST, Jacob R. (Anna Hershberger) Millersburg R5  
a daughter ESTA  
MAST, Jonas J. (Lizzie Yoder) Baltic  
a son  
MILLER, Abe A., Jr. (Malinda Hershberger) Sugarcreek  
a daughter MARY MAE, August 20  
MILLER, Alvin A. (Effie Yoder) Dundee R1  
a son STEPHEN RAY, August 26  
MILLER, Eli H. (Neva Miller) Millersburg R5  
a daughter ESTHER  
MILLER, Henry (Fannie Troyer) Fredericksburg R2  
a daughter ELSIE, August 4  
RABER, Roman E. (Ella Mast) Millersburg R3  
a daughter  
SCHLABACH, Dan J. (Mattie Yoder) Fredericksburg R2  
a son WILLIAM, August 7  
SCHLABACH, Demas (Mary Weaver) Apple Creek R1  
a daughter WILMA, August 15  
STUTZMAN, Henry A. (Susie Troyer) Millersburg R2  
a son ADEN, August 12  
TROYER, Vernon L. (Betty Miller) Mt. Hope  
a daughter WILMA  
YODER, Andy L. (Betty Troyer) Sugarcreek R1  
a daughter  
YODER, Jonas L. (Catherine Schlabach) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter EUNICE, July 31  
YODER, Roman J. (Barbara Miller) Millersburg R3  
a son DANIEL, August 27



## BIRTHS, Continued

Mercer County, Pennsylvania  
BYLER, Eli (Anna Byler)  
a son ALBERT, August 2

Geauga County, Ohio  
HOSTETLER, Joe E. and Dora  
a daughter  
HOSTETLER, John A. (Lizzie R. Byler)  
a daughter on August 29  
MILLER, Freeman M. (Barbara Kauffman)  
a daughter BARBARA, August 29  
MILLER, Joe A and Esther  
a daughter on August 30  
YODER, John Henry (Katie J. Miller)  
a son on August 23

Utica, Ohio  
GINGRICH, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred  
a son MARCUS, August 28

Ashland County, Ohio  
COBLENTZ, Moses (Annie E. Yoder) Ashland R5  
a son ERVIN, August 5  
GINGERICH, Edward (Annie J. Keim) Greenwich R2  
a son PERRY, August 27  
SHROCK, Emanuel (Edna W. Keim) Ashland R5  
a daughter KATIE, August 11

Centreville, Michigan  
BONTRAGER, Neal (Leanna Hostetler)  
a daughter LORETTA, July 9  
BURKHOLDER, Obe (Lorna Miller)  
a son PAUL, July 1  
CHUPP, Sam (Pearl Schwartz)  
a son SHANNON, July 18  
MILLER, Alvin (Sara May Hochstetler)  
a daughter REBECCA, July 22  
MILLER, Elmer (Ella Bontrager)  
a daughter MARY E., August 5  
YODER, Melvin (Pauline Hochstetler)  
a daughter ROSETTA, July 24

Bronson, Michigan  
BONTRAGER, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin  
a daughter LAURA, August 31

Daviess County, Indiana  
EICHER, Marvin (Fannie Wagler)  
a son LAVERNE, August 1  
KEMP, Raymond (Catherine Wagler)  
a son, July 13  
KNEPP, David (Wanda Wagler)  
a daughter DARLA MARLENE, August 24  
KNEPP, Larry (Lorene Knepp)  
a son LARRY JR., July 10  
STOLL, Martin (Josephine Raber)  
a daughter BARBARA, July 21  
STOLL, Roman (Lillie Yoder)  
a daughter ANNA MARLENE, July 26  
RABER, David Wayne (Rosanna Stoll)  
a son MICKOLAS, August 25  
WAGLER, Melvin (Ida Mae Stoll)  
a son LARRY, July 4

Allen County, Indiana  
EICHER, Christ (Amanda Graber)  
a daughter MARY ANN, August 8  
LENGACHER, Samuel (Martha Lengacher)  
a son EZRA, August 7  
STEURY, Joseph (Kathryn Schmucker)  
a son MELVIN, August 13  
WAGLER, Henry (Barbara Miller)  
a son DAVID, August 4  
WICKEY, Emanuel (Rebecca Brandenberger)  
a son EMANUEL, JR., August 2

LaGrange County, Indiana  
BONTRAGER, Daniel (Lizzie Ann Otto) Topeka R1  
a son DANIEL, JR., August 11  
BONTRAGER, Glenn E. (Polly Anna Miller) Topeka R2  
a daughter ROSANNA, August 19  
BONTRAGER, Glenn I. (Lydiann Mast) LaGrange R4  
a son WILLIAM G., August 2  
CHRISTNER, William (Esther Miller) Shippshewana R1  
a daughter LORETTA, August 14  
DETWEILER, Joseph (LaVerda Yoder) Shippshewana R2  
a son ROBERT WAYNE, August 22  
GRABER, Marvin (Ruby (Petersheim) LaGrange R4  
a daughter MARY ANNE, August 7  
LAMBRIGHT, Elva (Wilma Christner) Topeka R2  
a son DAVID E., August 15  
MILLER, Orva M. (Ada Yoder) Shippshewana R1  
a son DEVON, August 1  
SCHMUCKER, Edward W. (Esther Raber) LaGrange R4  
a son JACOB E., July 23  
TROYER, Richard (Mary Lambright) LaGrange R4  
a son NORMAN R., July 19  
YODER, Dan A. M. (Elizabeth Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a daughter DELILAH D., August 13

Nappanee, Indiana  
HOCHSTETLER, Melvin L. (Esther Hochstetler)  
Bremen, R1, a daughter MIRIAM, August 7  
MILLER, Kenneth (Barbara Miller) Bremen R1  
a son LYNN RAY, August 8  
MULLET, Glenn (Mary Ellen Hochstetler) Nappanee R1  
a son MAYNARD LYNN, August 26

Audrain County, Missouri  
BONTRAGER, Eli J. (Amanda Shetler)  
a son LEVI, August 16  
GINGERICH, Eli J. (Ella Shrock)  
a son JACOB, August 1  
MULLET, Harley (Lydia Bontrager)  
a daughter IDA, August 17  
WAGLER, Lavern (Esther Gingerich)  
a son RAYMOND, August 2

Jamesport, Missouri  
DETWEILER, Henry T. (Sarah Hostetler)  
a son RAYMOND, August 18  
ROPP, Henry E. (Susie Kauffman)  
a daughter LYDIA MAE, August 14  
STUTZMAN, Eddie (Edna Yoder)  
a son DAVID, August 9  
YODER, Vernon L. (Fannie Bontrager)  
a daughter KATIE, August 19

## Kokomo, Indiana

GINGERICH, Ivan J. (Mary Herschberger) Kokomo R4  
a daughter ROSANNA, August 1

## Arthur, Illinois

CHUPP, Reuben (Fannie Mae Stutzman)  
a son HAROLD EUGENE, August 16  
HERSCHBERGER, Elva (Edna Viola Diener)  
a son  
KAUFFMAN, Joe (Edna Miller)  
a daughter MARTHA, August 1  
MILLER, Melvin (Viola Gingerich)  
a daughter WILMA MARIE, August 9  
OTTO, Jerry (Anna Mae Chupp)  
a son on August 1  
PLANK, Willis (Viola Jess)  
a son RAYMOND, August 14  
SCHLABAUGH, Harley (Marietta Bontrager)  
a daughter on August 14  
SCHROCK, Daniel, Jr. (Dena Herschberger)  
a daughter CHRISTENA, August 17  
STUTZMAN, Clarence (Anna Kauffman)  
a son DAVID in August  
YODER, Abraham (Barbara Mast)  
a son PAUL JOSEPH, July 31  
YODER, Reuben (Ruthann Mast)  
a daughter MARILYN KAY, August 12

## Buchanan County, Iowa

BEECHY, John D. (Fanny Kurtz) Hazleton  
a son DANIEL, August 7  
BEECHY, Ray B. (Ada Nisley) Fairbank  
a son LESTER, August 12  
BONTRAGER, Mose E. (Amanda Herschberger) Fairbank  
a son MENNO, August 20  
GINGERICH, Jacob E. (Christena Kurtz) Independence  
a daughter MARTHA, August 27  
GINGERICH, Joe O. (Elizabeth Nisley) Hazleton  
a son MELVIN, August 22  
HELMUTH, Aden (Lizziann Mast) Hazleton  
a daughter SUSIE, August 23  
HELMUTH, Eli (Mary Mast) Hazleton  
a son ANDY, August 18  
MILLER, Noah L. (Mary Shetler) Hazleton  
a daughter LIZZIANN, August 27  
MILLER, Reuben (Bertha Miller) Fairbank  
a daughter IRENE, July 17  
MILLER, Sam (Lydia Bontrager) Hazleton  
a daughter ESTHER, August 15  
YODER, Amos J. (Lydia Schmucker) Fairbank  
a son ENOS, July 10  
YODER, Daniel I. (Anna Bontrager) Hazleton  
a son TOBE, June 28  
YODER, Eli J. (Katie Herschberger) Fairbank  
a son JOHN, August 2  
YODER, Henry A. (Katie Kauffman) Fairbank  
a daughter SUSIE, July 25  
YODER, Wayne (Amanda Helmuth) Hazleton  
a son on July 23  
YODER, William F. (Katie Miller) Independence  
a daughter on July 23

## New Glarus, Wisconsin

MULLETT, Alvin R. (Katie Herschberger)  
a son ALVIN RAY, JR., August 28  
YODER, Sam J. (Irene Plank)  
a daughter ESTHER, August 6

## Lakeside, Ontario, Canada

HERTZLER, Jonas (Matilda Yoder) Lakeside R1  
a daughter SADIE, July 28  
TROYER, Levi, Jr. (Lizzie Ann Mast) St. Mary's R4  
a daughter MALINDA, August 10

## Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada

BYLER, Noah S. (Barbara Mast)  
a daughter SARAH, July 31  
MAST, Raymond A. (Sadie Herschberger)  
a son RAYMOND, August 9

## Norwich, Ontario, Canada

SHETLER, Henry D. (Mary J. Miller) Norwich R3  
a son JOHN, August 16

## Milverton, Ontario, Canada

JANTZI, Cornelius (Marie Ann Streicher) Milverton R2  
a daughter BRENDA MARIE, July 30  
KUEPFER, Ammon (Laura Kuepfer) Milverton R2  
a daughter CHARLOTTE ANNE, August 2

## JAMESPORT, MO. MAN

## KICKED IN FACE BY HORSE

On the morning of August 2, Min. Joe Gingerich had the misfortune of being kicked in the face, while trying to get a balky horse to cooperate. His face was severely bruised. He was taken to the Bailey Clinic in Jamesport, where xrays showed that his nasal bone and upper jaws were fractured and torn loose. Dr. Bailey wanted to send Joe to Kansas City where specialists could do surgery on him, but Joe preferred to stay at the clinic. Dr. Bailey, with the aid of his wife, set the bones and put a cast on to hold them in place. Joe's wife stayed with him at the clinic about three weeks to help take care of him.

## PA COUPLE INJURED

## IN BUGGY-TRUCK CRASH

Samuel M. Fisher, 64, and his wife, Rebecca, 65, of Ronks R1, Pa., were injured when a tractor trailer truck slammed into their horse-drawn buggy on Rt. 30, a mile east of Paradise, at 12:40 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24. Samuel was treated at Osteopathic Hospital for minor injuries. Rebecca was admitted to the same hospital for treatment of rib fractures and abrasions. She came home from the hospital Sept. 2nd. State police said the couple was heading west on the Lincoln Highway. Their buggy was at the bottom of a hill. A tractor-trailer returning empty from Delaware to Lebanon was also traveling west but was unable to stop. The truck attempted to swerve into the left lane but clipped the buggy, injured the occupants, caused minor but not fatal damage to the horse and demolished the buggy.





*In meines Vaters  
hause sind viele  
wohnungen Joh 14:2*

## OBITUARIES

**ALBRECHT, Daniel, 88, of Newton R1, Ontario**

died Monday, Aug. 20, at the home of Menno Kuepfer. A son of the late Henry and Mary (Stever) Albrecht, he was born in Mornington Township. He was married in Nov. 1911, married 61 years. He is survived by his wife, the former Beanna Lichty; a son, Edward of Monkton R1; daughters, Mrs. Menno (Lavina) Kuepfer of Newton R1, Mrs. George (Lena) Robb of St. Pauls R1; 10 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sisters and five brothers.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Clarence Kuepfer, main sermon by Bishop Mose Schmidt of Monroe, Indiana; Andy Schwartz, Adams Co., Ind., read a hymn. Burial was in the seventh Line Cemetery of Wellesley Township.

**BENDER, Mrs. Iddo (Jemiah), 81, Star Route,**

Belleville, Pa., died Aug. 14. She had been in failing health but missed church only three times. She fell and broke her hip Dec. 5, 1972 but recovered again that she got around without a cane. The last couple months she had a bad cough which left her weak. She died in the hospital. Surviving are her husband; four sons, Simon, Samuel, John and Jonas, all married; two daughters, Susie and Amelia, at home; 32 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Yoder 82, and Miss Katie Peachey 85. One son, William preceded her in death, age 18, 18 days after being kicked by a horse; and one granddaughter died after drinking teething lotion.

**BYLER, John E., 80, New Wilmington R1, Pa**

died Aug. 30 in the hospital. He was a cancer victim, but apparently died of a heart attack.

**CHUPP, Daniel J., 70, of Arthur, Illinois**

died Aug. 24 at the age of 70 yr., 9 mo., 11 days. Born Nov. 13, 1902 he was the son of John and Martha (Stutzman) Chupp. He married Anna S. Beachey Dec. 16, 1926, lived in matrimony 46 yr., 6 mo., 8 days. To this union were born two sons and three daughters. Surviving are the wife, five children and 20 grandchildren. He had been in failing health for several years, having glaucoma so bad that he could hardly get around by himself. Thursday morning, Aug. 23, about 5 o'clock, they left for a cousin's funeral in Michigan. On their way home they stopped at the home of Monroe Millers in Northern Indiana for the night. About 3 o'clock they found him in a semi-conscious condition. He was taken to the Goshen Hospital where he died about 9:30, seemingly of a stroke.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday p.m. Aug. 27, by Amos Miller and Eli Chupp from Northern Indiana and Amos Otto; burial in the Otto Cemetery.

**GLICK, Ruth Ann, one year, of Lancaster, Pa.**

was killed in a farm accident Aug. 9 (see front page). She was the daughter of Leroy and Savilla (Beiler) Glick; of 2469 New Holland Pike. Born in Lancaster, she is survived by her parents, two sisters, Sadie Mae 5, and Linda 3, and a brother, Lavern 4, all at home; her paternal grandparents, John E. and Sadie (Zook) Glick, Gap R1; and maternal grandparents, John M. and Savilla (Blank) Beiler, Kinzer R1.

Funeral services were held at the Samuel Glick home by Elam Zook and Amos Y. Beiler; burial in the Upper Millcreek Cemetery.

**HERSHBERGER, LeAnna H., 20, Ashland R1, Ohio**

died Aug. 23, after being involved in an auto-buggy accident. She was born in LaGrange, Ind., a daughter of Harley S. and the late Barbara (Glick) Yoder. Surviving are her husband, Paul J. Hershberger; one daughter, Laura; her father; her step-mother, Agnes (Graber) Yoder; four sisters, Mrs. Irvin (Ada) Hochstetler, Mrs. John (Laura) Keim, and Rosie Yoder of Ashland R5; eight brothers, Elmer and Floyd of Greenwich, Ervin of Shiloh, Perry of Ashland, Enos, Samuel, David, Harley Jr., and one half-brother, Vernon, of the home; her grandfather, Enos D. Glick of Kenton, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Simon Brenneman and Bishop Albert Keim. A total of around 650 people attended.

**HOCHSTETLER, Bishop Dan M., 73, LaGrange R4**

died Thursday, Aug. 16, in the LaGrange County Hospital where he had been a patient since July 25. He was born in LaGrange Co., Ind. May 15, 1900, the son of M. D. and Elizabeth (Slabaugh) Hochstetler. He was married in Centreville, Mich., Dec. 23, 1920, to Hanna Wickey, who survives. Also surviving are four sons, Ervin, Daniel and John, all of LaGrange, and Amos of Sturgis, Mich.; three daughters, Mrs. Mose (Barbara) Yoder of Centreville, Mich., Mrs. Orie (Mary) Miller of LaGrange R4 and Mrs. Merle (Edna) Christner of Shipshewana; 37 grandchildren; 12 Great-grandchildren; two brothers, Christ of Topeka and Urias of Kenton, Ohio, and a sister, Mrs. Anna Lambright of Topeka.

Funeral services were held at the Ralph Schrock home by Bishop Sam Miller. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**KEIM, John J., 90, Ashland R5, Ohio**

died at his home, Aug. 23, after an illness of one week. He was born in Holmes County a son of the late Joe and Susan (Kaufman) Keim, and was a retired farmer and blacksmith. Surviving are six sons: Wm. of Ashland R5, Attlee and Aden of Mt. Hope, Jonas of Greenwich R2, Leroy of Homerville, and Alvin of Apple Creek; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Kaufman of Sarasota, Fla. and Mrs. Harry Kaufman of Charm; two brothers, Mose of Charm and Andrew of Beach City; 47 grandchildren and 85 great-grandchildren. His wife and a daughter preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Abe Troyer. A total of around 615 people attended.

**MAST, Mrs. Sarah D., 60, Orrville R3, Ohio**

died at her home, Aug. 6, from cancer. The dau. of Sam S. and Susan (Miller) Yoder, she was born in Holmes County and lived her entire life in this area. She was married Dec. 13, 1938 to Daniel D. Mast, who preceded her in death, Oct. 4, 1964. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Saloma Anderson of Hampton, Va., Miss Emma Mast of Lake City, Fla., Mrs. Katie Yoder of LaGrange, Ind., and Miss Susie Mast of the home; five sons, David D. of Apple Creek R2, Christy D. of Orrville R3, Paul D. of Greenville, Eli D. and Daniel D., both of the home; seven grandchildren; her mother, Mrs. Susanna (Miller) Yoder of Fredericksburg R2; three sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Ann Mast of Apple Creek R2, Mrs. Emma Schlabach of Millersburg, and Mrs. Susie Swartzentruber of Fredericksburg; two brothers, Roman Yoder of Orrville R2 and David Yoder of Homerville R1.

**MILLER, Katie, 65, Middlebury R1, Indiana**

died at 4:15 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, at Des Moines Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, where she had been a patient since an automobile accident Aug. 3 (see front page). She was born near Middlebury Oct. 27, 1907, and was married to Levi J. M. Miller, who survives. Also surviving are a son, Lloyd, and two daughters, Mrs. Aden (Ann) Yoder and Mrs. Perry (Edna) Otto, all of Middlebury; three sisters, Mrs. John Kauffman of Plain City, Ohio, and Mrs. Ervin Miller and Mrs. Dewey Gingerich, both of Middlebury; three brothers, David A. Bontrager, Joseph A. Bontrager and Eli A. Bontrager, all of Middlebury.

Funeral services were held at the home of Perry Otto by Bishop Alton Bontrager, Bishop Henry N. Miller, Bishop Enos Troyer and Pre. Allen Miller. Burial was in Thomas Cemetery.

**SCHLABACH, 1-year-old child, Wayne Co., Ohio**

On Aug. 23 the baby, age nearly one year, of Jacob E. Schlabachs of Dalton R2 crawled into the milk house and drowned in the water trough.

**STOLTZFUS, Levi M., 44, Narvon R2, Pa.**

died at his home Saturday, Aug. 25, at 8:45 p.m. after a lingering illness of cancer. Born in Salisbury Twp., he was a son of Gideon M. and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2. He is survived by his parents; his wife, Katie (Beiler) Stoltzfus; three daughters and three sons, Fannie Mae, Mary Martha, David, Gideon and Omar, all at home; two sisters and seven brothers, Sarah, wife of Elmer Fisher, Ronks R1; Hannah, wife of Jonathan King, Gordonville R1; Omar F., Gap R2; David L. and Samuel J., Narvon R2; Emanuel S., Peach Bottom; Jonathan F., Goshen, Ind.; Aaron E. and Gideon K., of Bird-in-Hand R1.

Funeral services were held by Pre. Lloyd Beiler and Pre. Melvin A. Beiler; hymn read by Dea. John K. Stoltzfus; at graveyard, hymn read by Dea. Joseph Blank; abschied by Isaac Diener; burial in Millwood Cemetery.

**MILLER, Andrew A., age 4, of Apple Creek R4, Ohio**  
died Aug. 1 of suffocation (see front page). Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Miller; three sisters and seven brothers, Iva, Mattie, Katie, Abe, Mose, Peter, Reuben, Sam, Dan, and Herman, all of the home; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose S. Miller of Dundee R1, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. Hershberger of Apple Creek R1.

Funeral services were held Aug. 3 in the home. Burial was in Gingerich Cemetery.

**WAGLER, Francis J., 59, Loogootee R2, Ind.**

died at noon Wednesday, July 4, at his home. He was born Nov. 21, 1913, a son of John J. and Lovina (Graber) Wagler. Surviving are his wife, Fanny (Lengacher) Wagler; five sons, Alva Wagler, Hicksville, Ohio, Francis Jr., Milroy, Ind., Howard and Benjamin, both of Loogootee RR, and Joseph Wagler, at home; four daughters, Mrs. Wilmer (Katie) Knepp and Mrs. Daniel (Laura) Graber, both of Milroy, Mrs. Fred (Lovena) Knepp, Loogootee RR, and Mary Wagler, at home; six brothers, Joseph Wagler, Loogootee, Benjamin and Harry Wagler, Odon, Levi and Arthur Wagler, Montgomery, and Alva Wagler, Milroy; and three sisters, Mrs. Homer (Mary) Knepp and Mrs. Enos (Susie) Knepp, both of Montgomery, and Mrs. Uria (Martha) Miller, Middlefield, Ohio. One daughter and one brother died preciously.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Ben E. Wagler, Dan Troyer and Simon Hostetler, Milroy, Ind.; burial was in Wagler Cemetery.

#### HOLMES COUNTY ACCIDENTS

Levi N. Raber, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah J. Raber, accidentally drilled through his hand while working at Holmes Door and Lumber Company. He was at the Timkin Mercy Hospital at Canton, Ohio four days.

Atlee D. Schlabach, 31, son of Mrs. David S. Schlabach of Millersburg R3, Ohio, cut into his hand and fingers, tearing skin off, while working at the cut-off saw for the Yoder Lumber Company of Charm, Ohio. He was taken to Canton Hospital to have it dressed and for skin grafting.

Andy, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy J. D. Yoder of Millersburg R2, Ohio, fell off a load of grain and the wagon went over his legs, breaking one leg at two places. He was at the Millersburg Hospital in traction for four weeks.

#### PATH VALLEY, PA. FARM ACCIDENT

Samuel, 19-month-old son of Reuben Hertzlers, had a mishap August 4th. They had just started the ensilage cutter when they saw the boy close to the machine so they stopped it right away but not before his hand caught on the under side of the web and pulled his hand and arm around the outside end of the feed table under the web. His hand was crushed some and his arm broken in four or five places, requiring about 100 stitches, the doctor said. He has a cast from fingers to elbow. He seems to be getting along good.



**AUGUST**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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**CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

August brought us variable temperatures, with the first half being normal, the 20th was unusually cool, enough so that fire was started in the mornings that week. Lowest temperature was 55 degrees on the 23rd. The last week was unusually hot with temperature well over 90 all week. Highest temperature varied in different places from 95, to 100 and over on the 30th. Total rainfall was 3.7 inches. Late hay is mostly in, and most of the silos are full. Corn is being put on shock, which looks like a bumper crop. Many folks made the remark that horse flies were seldom as bad as they were here this year.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

August 1st we had a heavy thunderstorm with over 2 inches rain. Aug. 3 we had another gully-washer with 2 in. again some places, it varied a lot. Monday night, Aug. 20, till Wed. noon, 22nd, we had six inches rain. Temperatures were pretty high this month. Around the middle of the month we had a heat wave and the last week was the worst with day time temperature over 100 several times, the 31st was 107 degrees. Almost too hot for horses yet hay making and silo filling was on the schedule. Crops have grown tremendously this summer. School has started again.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 1.7 inches.

Market Report: Fat Cattle Market had an all time record, \$65.75 Cwt., from an 8 to \$10 decline for the month; Spring Lambs, 47.50 Cwt.; Veal, 70 to 88.50 Cwt.; Feeder Steers, 60 to 79.50 Cwt.; Fat Hogs also had an all time high record for the month, 63.50 Cwt., with a \$12 decline; Dairy Cows at New Holland, \$510 to \$880; Old Fowl, light, 24¢ lb., heavy, 40¢; Pullets, 50¢; Roasters, 35 to 53¢ lb.; Eggs, large, 73¢ Doz.; Hay, \$35 to 72.50 Ton; Straw, \$39 to \$50 Ton; Ear Corn, \$65 to \$87 Ton, 3.15 Bu.; Wheat, 4.40 Bu.; Barley, 2.00 Bu.; Oats, 1.30 Bu.; Potatoes, 6.00 to 7.00 Cwt.

by Elam S. Beiler

Most of third cutting hay is in, it was rather short and leaf hoppers and aphids were rather hard on it. New grass fields (Old wheat fields are being mowed. Corn looks good, although it is starting to dry up earlier than usual and silo filling is starting. Late corn could stand a little rain. Over half of tobacco

is cut, is light again, though somewhat heavier than last year, except north and south parts of county report a heavy crop. Meadows are short and turning brown. Sweet corn seems plentiful and are having cantaloupes and watermelons. Peaches were an average crop in this area, and tomatoes are plentiful.

by Ammon F. Fisher

August had quite a few 90 to 100 degrees temperatures. Total rainfall was 2 inches. The last week was very warm and dry, with temperature at 100 degrees in the shade. Most nights were cooled off enough to make sleeping comfortable.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

The first of August brought us more rain than we had all thru July, and also one half of the total for August, about 4 inches altogether. Due to warm and dry weather tobacco and corn are turning fast. Some parts of the county had hail storms again a few times, but none were seen here. Some hay was made from new grass fields which was heavier than usual as it was a good stand already in the grain fields.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

August came in bringing us nice showers, a total of 3.3 inches for the first 17 days. The last week of the month became very warm and dry, with temperatures in the 90's during the day and in the 70's during the night. Although temperatures dipped into the 40's the morning of August 23 there were 8 days in August with readings in the 90's. Daily highs averaged 85.3 degrees. Clover made a good growth in the wheat fields. Farmers mowed their stubble fields and put it in the barns. The hot and dry weather the last week of August made corn ripen fast, and men will soon be filling silos. Pasture is also getting short. The warm weather was hard on the peaches. We got all the seconds we wanted for canning for from \$1.00 to 2.50 per bushel. Schools started the 27th of August.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

August was real warm and dry during the early part of the month. On the 18th and 19th we had from 4 to 5 inches of rain. Second cutting alfalfa is made, some third cutting is in the barns. A few farmers filled some silo. The corn is not really pushing yet.

Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

August was about normal except the last week was unusually warm with 100 degree temperature the last three days. We had a heavy rain the 22nd. Very good growing weather all month. Oats threshing was finished the first of the month, averaging out to about 50 bushels per acre in this area. Some plowing has been done for winter grains. Silo filling is the next big job for farmers.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during August was dry and extremely cold and hot. Total rainfall was 3 inches, which soon dried up. Ground was well soaked for plowing wheat land the fore part of the month. We had a sudden cold spell when it dropped to 40 degrees on

the 20th. The first and last weeks of August were very warm with temperatures in the upper '90's, it rose to 100 degrees on several afternoons in the shade, and I've seen it go to 112 in the sun. The week of the 15th it was cloudy and warm for one solid week, with no sunshine at all. Corn ears are sizing up good, and garden produce was very plentiful all around. The diligent Amish women everywhere canned a record amount of sweet corn and garden produce this summer. Potatoes are very good size and sell for around 8¢ per pound.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

We had about 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches of rain, but now for almost two weeks it hasn't rained, so that some trees are turning yellow from lack of moisture. On the 23rd it was down to 42 degrees in the morning. The last 3 or 4 days it was very warm again.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

August started with rain in this section. Then we had some very nice weather that dried the oats fast, and oats harvest didn't last very long this year. It was a fair crop, good and dry, and lots of straw. Sweet corn and string beans were plentiful, although the coons were hard on the sweet corn. Also deer seem to be plentiful. We had very warm weather the last few days of August. Our school started Aug. 27.

Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

August was a month of contrasts in weather, the first day being rainy. First week had mostly sunny days, cool nights. August 10 we had a hard thunder shower, with a great contrast in rainfall, along the back mountain less than one inch, front mountain 2 inches. Some places where two showers came together there was 3 in. in 4 or 5 hours time. In our area we measured a total of 3.7 inches, some areas had more, others less. The week of the 22nd was real cool, 44 degrees the morning of Aug. 23. The last week of August we had real warm weather with temperature reaching high 90's and 100, not cooling off at night, very foggy mornings. Silo filling has started. Schools opened August 29.

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

Weather for August has been mostly warm. The forepart was rather rainy and several cool days. It has since been almost extremely warm, especially the past week. The week-end of the 19th and also several other times the showers were really scattered. Some places had heavy rain and some hail, while other places had hardly any. The total rainfall was quite varied, being anywhere from 4.4 to 6 or more inches for the month. Garden things are quite plentiful. Field corn looks good. Oats is being thrashed yet because of a wet beginning in August.

Oakland, Md., by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

Farm crops have been doing good after a late start in the spring on account of wet weather. Snap beans, raised in the community for the cannery at Frederick, Md. or Milford, Del., are mostly picked

and many semi-loads left for the canneries in Aug. Lots of gleaners go through the fields, after the mechanical pickers have picked, as at some places quite a few are left on the plants. There is a big demand for farm produce on account of high prices.

New Wilmington, Pa., by Mrs. Mose C. Byler

We had good productive weather in August. The first part was rainy, and several farmers got their oats threshed late. Middle part was real cool, turning into very hot and humid the last week. Sweet corn did very well and sold at high prices, with the last of it selling at 50¢ a doz. Gardens did well this summer with a big demand for home-grown vegetables, by city folks. Eggs are up to 90¢. Fryers selling at 85¢ lb. dressed, and also in big demand. Feed prices have dropped slightly.

Mercer County, Pa., Dan J. Troyer

August had about 4 inches of rain, with cool nights in the low 40's. One rainy week that held up thrashing. Then it turned warm and humid the last week, some days around 95 degrees. Oats is about all thrashed with a fair yield. Corn is coming along fast.

Crawford County, Pa., by Mrs. Menno Fisher

The beginning of August was dry. Aug. 22-23 was very cool with temperature below 40 degrees at night. The last week was very warm and humid with some storm and several good rains. Men are thrashing oats and finishing the last hay. Women are busy doing up garden things as everything is plentiful.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

First week of August was very warm and sultry. On Aug. 11 - 14 we had 3.2 inches rain. Thrashing is at a standstill since the rain. Cooled off to 40 degrees in mornings the 22nd and 23rd. Has warmed up very much, very warm and sultry, and is much on the dry side. Much plowing had been done. Potatoes are doing good, with other crops the same. Schools have started. Pork, beef, broilers and eggs are very high priced.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Not much rain the last half of August, very warm and humid the last week. Lots of nice second cutting hay went in the last few weeks. Most of the corn looks very good and is drying out. Thrashing is all done. Farmers are getting wheat ground ready. Silo filling will start next week. Plenty of pasture and flies. Garden vegetables are very plentiful. Some peaches in local orchards. Apples seemed to be plentiful all summer.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the beginning of August we had nice clear weather, followed by a week or 10 days of rainy weather. The last week was hot and humid, with the temperature going up in the 90's. Second crop hay is about all made and oats are thrashed. Farmers are getting ready for wheat sowing.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We've been having very warm weather all through August, with the exception of about three days, when the thermometer registered at 48 degrees in the morning. Now it is up in the 90's again every day. Corn will be a good crop.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

We had very nice drowing weather with a few light showers, nothing seemed to suffer from lack of rain as we had a good bit of rain the month before. The crops all seem dairly good, and corn looks good if nothing comes over it. The muck lands are producing lots of good vegetables, and they mostly sell at a good price. This black muck land is wonderful for raising vegetables and corn, but grain crops do not do too well on it, as it grows too rank in the stalk. We had about average temperature for this month and lots of sunshine.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin Hershberger

The forepart of August was wet, but the last of the month was dry, warm and humid. School started Sept. 4. Farmers are started to fill silo. Oats were not so good, but wheat was average.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The weather for August was very warm and humid, temperature went up in the 90's nearly every day in the last couple weeks, very good growing weather. Had a total of around 5 inches of rain, had a real hard thunder and hail storm on the 31st, some hail nearly as big as golf balls. Crops look and are doing extra good, although kinda spotty at some places, from being too wet earlier in the summer.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The third week of the month was cool, but the balance of the month was very hot and humid, especially the last week. The corn crop looks fair, as well as the beans. The second crop of hay was excellent, but the frequent rains left it a poor quality. Most crops all summer didn't yield to expectations.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin N. Gingerich

We had about 2.4 inches of rain for the month of August. First half of the month was normal, but the last two weeks were hot and humid. Grain threshing is finished. Oats were below average this year, but hay crop was good. Tomatoes, blackberries and peaches are in season. Peaches are \$4.00 to 5.00 a bushel. Huckleberries are over now, were plentiful this year.

Camden, Mich., by Levi R. Graber

For the month of August we had a total rainfall of 3.1 in. Oat yields were from 30 to 64 bu. per acre. The last week of August was warm and humid with a high of 97 degrees. Wheat sold for \$4.91 per bu. Seed wheat is scarce in this area due to our local wheat having low germination. Imported seed wheat from Canada is quoted at \$12.00 per bu. Bread and pastry flours at Stock's Flour Mill in Hillsdale, Michigan were selling for \$12 per hundred.

Allen County, Ind., by Mrs John Schmucker

August as a whole was a very nice month. Second cutting hay is about all made. Eggs are 73¢ a doz. Weaned pigs are selling from \$38 to \$41.

Ashley, Ind., by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

July and August were warm months. Hay was mostly put in without rain. Second crop was washed a few times and harder to dry. Corn looks to be good crops, but some needs warm weather yet. We had a few hard thunder storms, especially Sunday night, Aug. 19. Around 2:00 a twister went through the northern part of our section. Hardest hit was Dan Keim, where it took south end of the barn roof and damaged a shed. Neighbor men gathered on Monday, and by Mon. Eve a new roof was on. At Dan's neighbor (non-Amish) also south part of barn roof was torn off, a pole shed was flat, and other damage. Neighbors also gathered and put his roof on.

Oats crop was fair, average 20 to 47 bu. per acre. Temperature in the nineties. Peaches are high price, seconds around \$5.00, firsts \$7.50 to \$8.00 a bu. Eggs are 75¢ to 85¢ a doz. Sweet Corn is still selling for 65¢ a doz., first crop was 90¢ a doz.

Nappanee, Indiana, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

Weather was very warm and sultry during August. Rain is needed. Lawns are turning brown.

Milroy, Ind., by Simon Hostetler

We had around 7 in. rain in June and 4 in. in July. Corn and soybeans are a good crop. Very little wheat and oats sowed on account of wet weather, the yield was down. 93-degrees was our warmest weather. There was a hail storm south of us, damaged some bean fields.

The John Schmidt family moved here from Berne, Ind., the first part of July.

Elkhart County, Ind., by Sam K. Stoltzfus

Rainy till Aug. 3rd, turned warm and humid. It was very dry till we got some showers on the 14th. Oats is very good, averaging 60-80 bu. an acre. Lots of canning is being done. Eggs are up to 95¢ to \$1.05 a doz., feeder pigs average \$1.00 lb., and beef is 55¢ to 58¢ a lb. Week of Aug. 20th was very cool until it rained on the 23rd, then it turned to warm August weather again. The 27th is was 95° in the shade and very humid.

LaGrange County, Ind., by Anna Eash

August was quite warm at times. The first few days were warm. The 9th we had a rain over the noon hour, and Aug. 20 in the night of quite severe nature. Not too far northeast some buildings and trees were damaged. The 27th in A. M. some rain, but north of here it rained more. Things are growing. Sweet corn is almost past, of good quality and quantity. Tomatoes are ripe, and women are canning. Field corn and soybeans look wonderful. Hay was an excellent crop. Some wheat is sowed. Rainfall was sufficient, but right now we are hoping for more and also to relieve the warm temperatures and humidity. It was in the 80's over a week and more is predicted. But we have so much to praise God for.



Kokomo, Ind., by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

We've had ample moisture by spell in August. Around mid-month 5 inches of rain was had in less than 24 hrs. Creeks overflowed, washing planks of bridges downstream. Water backed up in basements, and gardens stood in water, causing tomatoes to rot while others were so dirty it was hard to see if they're ripe. Several mornings were a chilly 50 degrees, but also lots of warm and humid weather. The highest I heard for eggs was \$1.10 a dozen. Three large chicken houses in the area sell cracks and odd shapes for 25¢ per doz. By furnishing our own pickers and gas figured in, peaches were brought from Michigan for \$6.75 a bu.

Daviess County, Indiana, by Lester Marner

Weather is very warm, with adequate moisture for crops. Corn looks very good. Silo filling is beginning. Milk is \$5.70; Hogs ranging from \$50 to \$60 during August. Eggs are selling for 70¢ a dozen on the farm.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather for August, in general, was very warm, several days the thermometer reached 96, had several nice showers, enough to keep the lawns green. At the funeral of Dan Chupp several horses became too hot, one was taken home in a truck

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward Mast

Warm and dry again holds true for a Kansas Aug. with quite a few days of above 100 degree temperatures and a total rainfall of about 1.1 in. Possibly there was more in spots along the river. Feed grains are mostly headed and look good, especially the early milo. Some planted later is burning somewhat.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The fore part of August we had nice rains, but no rain for two weeks later. Thrashing mostly completed by middle of the month, with oats yielding 10 to 35 bu. and of light quality. Most row crops look real good. Peaches turned out to be plentiful, selling mostly for \$5.00 bu., they being trucked in. Sweet corn and some other garden vegetables seem to be plentiful. City people are searching the country daily for eggs, chickens, etc. Eggs are selling for 60¢ to 75¢ in the country.

My son and I are spending the last week of Aug. in Canistota, S. Dak., taking treatments at the Ortman Clinic. Crops and weather are somewhat different from Mo. The country is dry, having no good rain all summer. There are many acres of corn drying up un-matured, beans look sick, pastures are brown. Farmers are filling silos. There are lots of silos out here. They had a good oat and barley crop, oats yielding 80 to 100 bu. of 40-lb. wt., and barley 70 to 80 bu. The elevator in Canistota has a big pile of oats outside uncovered, storage places are full. It is selling for \$1.05 bu. You can also see many stacks of square bales hay outside uncovered. In Sioux Falls the temperature on the 26th was up to 108 and a very warm wind. I can't remember of ever seeing weather like it was here that day. It was reported the warmest since 1947.

Marshfield, Mo., by David A. Kinsinger

Dry is the word for this area at present. Almost no measureable rainfall since the middle of July. Corn dried up and was put into silos with very little ears. Pastures are looking brown. Now is the time these fescue pastures show up. Fescue roots go deep, similar to alfalfa, only more so yet. Many of the farms in this area are put into fescue and stocked with beef cows. As soon as we get a good rain, fescue will really grow again, also on any warm days in winter. There has been some disking done where ground is not too hard. Old timers say sow your fescue seed in the dust in August so it is ready to grow when it rains. Butcher cows dropped from a high of 44¢ to about 32¢, hogs from over 60¢ to mid fifties. Good beef calves had been about 67¢ for 500-pounders, are also down a little.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

The first part of August was more on the cool side, till around the 20th. We had over 3 in. of rain. After that was really typical August weather, warm days and nights, day time 90 and over. Threshing is done and second cutting hay mostly put up. Corn is coming fast, soon time for silo filling.

Report for July: The month of July had around 3½ inches of rain, was good haying weather. Oats all cut, and threshing under way. Yield not so heavy, but a good quality.

New Glarus, Wisc., by Mrs. Jonas E. Hershberger

We had nice rains the week of the 6th and again week of the 20th. It was very warm the last week of the month, which is good for late planted corn.

Cashton, Wisc., by Amos U. Gingerich

Nice growing weather at present. It was warm and dry first half of August. Crops didn't suffer much though. Oats was of very good quality, but did not yield as much as some years. Average yield 50 bu. per acre. Corn is in roasting ear stage and looks good.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

August was dry with only scattered rains. During the last week in August the temperature topped the 90's. During the night of Aug. 30 we had a wind and rain storm which brought us one half inch of rain and relief from the heat and humidity. Oats were only a fair crop with 50 to 60 bushel yields common. With the ideal haying weather excellent second cutting hay was put away. Corn is well along with some early corn denting. Some farmers are cutting corn to supplement pastures. Tomatoes are a bumper crop with pickers getting 25¢ a hamper. Hogs have dropped in price from over \$70, dressed weight, to around \$65. Cattle prices also dropped from a high of \$67, live weight, to around \$54 for choice cattle. The high prices were caused by the U. S. demand for Canadian beef as the Canadian meat was not affected by the U. S. price freeze when imported. The Canadian government is now limiting the amount of beef being shipped to the U. S. by imposing export quotas.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, by Mrs. Wm. D. Kramer

Very warm and humid weather through August, with nice rains. We had two days of chilly weather. Threshing is nearly over, with grain from 20 to 60 bu. and very light this year. Otherwise crops are fine, gardens yielding good.

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Martha Marie Miller

August started in with very lovely weather and was nice for two weeks. The third week we had some very cool days, also rain. It has been warm since and quite cloudy. It really has been humid the last four days, around 90 and over. Oats is all threshed, and some are doing second cutting hay. It is also a busy canning month. Sweet corn is plentiful, and tomatoes are doing well. Prices are going up on meat and vegetables the last while, also bread.

Chesley, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

The weather is very warm with very little rain in Aug. It is getting quite dry. About 20 miles north they had a heavy hail storm on Sun. night, Aug. 26. Hail stones up to 4 in. in diameter were found. In Owen Sound alone, over 300 cars were damaged by hail, also lots of other damage. Grain is mostly threshed with a fair to good yield, although not as heavy as some years. Wheat was of good quality, but very little was sown last fall.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

August had a lot of warm and humid days. It was something new for here to have such steady heat, but helped the corn and later crops considerably. Rain held up threshing the 9th and 17th and several days afterwards. The week of the 19th was wet and cool until Friday. Tomatoes and lima beans seem to be a good crop. Muskmelons are beginning to ripen.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

The first part of August was warm and humid with threatening rain but only a few sprinkles. On the 17th we had a light shower, followed by a heavy one on the 20th and then very cool for a few days. The last week has been hot and humid with temperature in the 90's. Most of the oats has been threshed with yields from 25 to 70 bu. per acre. Some corn is starting to dent.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Keupfer

The beginning of August it was nice and warm. The week of the 20th we had rain and cooler weather. This past week it was really humid, good threshing weather. The grain crop is slightly below average in this part of the country. Garden crops are good. Lots of cucumbers and corn. Tomatoes are late this year.

Senior Members - Oakland, Maryland

Mrs. Ada Lichty, November 7, 1883, Oakland R2, Md.

Simon D. Swartzentruber, Aug. 21, 1892, Oakland, Md.

Couple married over 59 years

Noah D. and Cora (Burkholder) Schrock, Oakland R2

Married November 24, 1921

## BAPTISMS

Dover, Delaware

North District at Henry Y. Mast home

by Bishop John J. Yoder, August 26

Andrew, son of Reuben A. and Emma Byler

Henry Jr., son of Henry A. and Alma Byler

Jonas Jr., son of Jonas J. and Lydia Hershberger

Samuel, son of Enos D. and Katie Miller

David, son of Rudy S. and Lydia Byler

Barbara, dau. of Pre. LeRoy J. and Mary Yoder

Esther, dau. of Rudy S. and Lydia Byler

East District converts were baptized with the

class in North District.

Amos A., son of Andy A. and Katie Miller

Wilma, dau. of Abe S. and Barbara Beachy

On Sept. 2nd Neoma, dau. of Alfred D. and Effie

Troyer was baptised in the home by Bishop John J. Yoder.

South District at the Adlia N. Mast home

by Bishop Eli S. Miller, August 26

Simon, son of Simon S. and Susann Troyer

Wm. son of Dea. Mahlon E. and Lydia Miller

Leroy, son of Levi E. and Anna Yoder

John, son of Harry A. and Lizzie Miller

Lena, dau. of Crist J. and Lydia Miller

Esther, dau. of Eli N. and Barbara Swartzentruber

Middle District at the home of Neal R. Miller

by Bishop Dan A. Yoder, September 2

Ammon Daniel, son of Manealus and Verna Miller

Sarah Ann, dau. of Pre. Simon N. and Mary Swartzentruber

Utica, Ohio

August 26

LeRoy, son of Jake Miller

Dennis, son of Melvin Yoder

Samuel, son of Samuel Gingerich Jr.

Marianna, dau. of Amos Miller

Mary Alice, dau. of Freeman Mullet

Bertha, dau. of Eli Hostetler

Elkhart County, Indiana

Middle Forks District, August 26

Joe, son of Pre. Harry and Ida (Miller) Sturzman

Arthur, Illinois

August 5

Ernest, son of Albert D. Helmuth

Elva, dau. of Dea. Lester Jess

Katie, dau. of Bennie S. Miller

Viola, dau. of Edward Gingerich

Carlyn, dau. of Elmer S. Miller

Elsie, dau. of Dea. Lester Jess

Amos D. Otto District, August 12

Carol, dau. of Phenis Schrock

Ella Marie, dau. of Levi Schrock

New Glarus, Wisconsin

August 26

Emma, dau. of Jonas Hershberger

Mary, dau. of Jonas Hershberger

Miriam, dau. of Jonas Yoder

Emma, dau. of Eli Hershberger

## Cashton, Wisconsin

## South Church District

August 26, by Bishop Menno M. Hershberger  
Mose, son of Bishop Menno M. and Malinda (Troyer)  
Hershberger

Joe, son of Dea. Perry B. and Lizzie (Kauffman)  
Miller

\* Chester, son of Crist M. and Emma (Miller)  
Hershberger

Jake, son of Aden L. and Mattie (Miller) Yoder  
Crist, son of William and Mattie (Weaver) Kempf  
John Henry, son of Levi A. and Ida (Yoder) Miller  
Dena, dau. of Amos U. and Ella (Miller) Gingerich  
Fannie, dau. of Falty V. and Saloma (Borntrager)  
Borntrager

Malinda, dau. of Sam L. and Katie (Fisher) Miller  
Elizabeth, dau. of Joe E. and Magdalena (Schmucker)  
Bontrager

Susie, dau. of Pre. Menno N. and Fannie (Mast)  
Hochstetler

## Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada

## Gorrie District, August 26

by Jacob Gingerich of Ohio

Orva, son of Jerome Hochstetlers (deceased)

Allen, son of Lester and Mary Mast

Willis, son of Alvin A. Yoder

Jor Jr., son of Pre. Joe G. and Barbara Byler

Barbara, dau. of Eli and Sovilla Yoder

Dorothy, dau. of Joni D. and Lydia Miller

Esther, dau. of Freeman and Lydia Coblentz

Simon, son of Pre. Levi L. and Sarah Hershberger

was going under instruction, but was drowned July 23.

## MARRIAGES

## Oakland, Maryland

Swartzentruber, Miller – Joseph, son of Claude and Rachel (Byler) Swartzentruber, and Lydia, dau. of Robert and Katie (Yoder) Miller, March 22, by Bishop Joe J. Yoder of Ohio, grandfather of the bride.

Slabaugh, Zook – Homer, son of Joe and Emma (Yoder) Slabaugh, and Rhoda, daughter of Elmer and Susie (Nissley) Zook, May 10, by Norman Schrock.

Swartzentruber, Yoder – David, son of Henry and Saloma (Summy) Swartzentruber, and Sylvia, daughter of John and Barbara (Peight) Yoder, May 17, by Norman Schrock.

Hostetler, Miller – Dan, son of Elmer and Martha (Byler) Hostetler, and Fannie, daughter of Joni and Fannie (Miller) Miller, June 21, by Norman Schrock.

Swartzentruber, Petersheim – Daniel, son of Claude and Rachel (Byler) Swartzentruber, and Elma, daughter of Floyd and Mary (Miller) Petersheim, August 23, by Norman Schrock.

## Geauga County, Ohio

Fisher, Byler – Melvin, son of John S. and Sarah (Schmucker) Fisher, and Mary, daughter of Mrs. Girtie Byler, August 16.

Slaubach, Kempf – Enos, son of Crist E. Slaubach, and Rachel, daughter of Jake J. and Alma J. (Schmucker) Kempf, August 16.

Byler, Raber – Eli, son of Jake J. and Katie (Detweiler) Byler from Middlefield, and Mattie Raber from Sugarcreek, September 6.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Hershberger, Miller – Mose, son of Valentine Hershberger (deceased) and Sarah Yoder, and Clara, daughter of Atlee C. and Edna (Troyer) Miller.

Yoder, Yoder – Albert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe L. Yoder of Farmerstown, and Mattie, daughter of Pre. and Mrs. Amos M. Yoder of Millersburg R3, August 30.

Yoder, Miller – Widower Jacob Y. Yoder of Big Prairie R1, and Anna, daughter of Joe C. D. Millers of Fredericksburg R2, August 30.

## Centreville, Michigan

Hochstetler, Borkholder – Vernon, son of Amos Hochstetler, Sturgis, and Katie Mae, daughter of Amanda Bontrager and the late Malvin Borkholder, Mendon, Michigan, August 30.

## Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Steury – Melvin, son of Jesse and Mary (Schwartz) Graber, and Emma, daughter of the late Menno and Rosa (Schmucker) Steury, August 16, by Bishop Levi R. Graber of Camden, Michigan.

Graber, Graber – Joseph Jr., son of Joseph R. and Rosa (Schwartz) Graber, and Catherine, daughter of Menno and Ida Marie (Graber) Graber, August 23, by Bishop Sam J. Graber, her grandfather.

## LaGrange, Indiana

Graber, Bontrager – Jerome J. Graber of Odon, Indiana, and Rose Mary, daughter of Christ D. and Verna H. (Eash) Bontrager, August 18.

## Daviess County, Indiana

Wagler, Knepp – Earl Wagler and Betty Jean Knepp, July 20, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp.

## Arthur, Illinois

Helmuth, Miller – Ernest, son of Albert H. Helmuth, and Katie, daughter of Ben S. Millers, August 23.

Jess, Gingerich – Elva, son of Lester Jess, and Viola, daughter of Edward G. Gingerich, August 29.

## Cashton, Wisconsin

Miller, Schrock – Enos, son of Monroe A. and Malinda (Slabaugh) Miller, and Lydiann, daughter of Adam J. and Malinda (Petersheim) Schrock, Aug. 30.

## ASHLAND, OHIO ACCIDENTS

Anna C. Miller, 19, daughter of Christ S. Millers, had a mishap while helping to bale straw. She was stacking bales on the wagon when a twine broke on the bale she reached for, which caused her to lose her balance and fall to the ground. She had a cracked wrist, a brain concussion, and a cut in her head which required ten stitches.

Pre. Dannie D. Gingerich had a very painful experience Tuesday, Aug. 21st, when his beard got caught in a V-pulley, which knocked his face against the motor. He received a gash under the eye, which required some stitches, also punctured a nerve which left his face partly numb.



Der fünf 2

Mir um 9 Uhr rief der Herr und der selbe Tag gabst  
 von bis in zehnbis. Dort waren Mir die selbe mehr.  
 Am nächsten Morgen ~~saß~~ der 4. Tag Mir rief der Herr  
 um <sup>9 Uhr</sup> zehnbis bis in zehnbis man Erimty, vjgo. bis <sup>10</sup> Uhr  
 mir um 9 Uhr rief der Herr. Dort waren Mir bei  
 hundert bis der 9. um der zehnbis Mir mehr noch  
 Erimty. um der 12. Tag Mir mehr mehr zehnbis.  
 um der 13. Tag Mir rief der Herr um 8 Uhr um der 14. Tag  
 zehnbis bis in zehnbis. Dort waren Mir die selbe  
 mehr. Am nächsten Morgen saß Mir rief der Herr  
 um 9 Uhr zehnbis bis der Monroville. Dort selbe.  
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 selbe. von dort mehr selbe. Dort waren Mir die  
 selbe mehr. Am nächsten Morgen saß Mir rief der  
 Herr um 9 Uhr zehnbis bis ~~zehnbis~~ von dort mehr  
 nicht zehnbis zehnbis. von dort mehr selbe.  
 Erimty zehnbis. von <sup>10</sup> Uhr Mir zehnbis bis in  
 zehnbis. von der 11. Tag Mir zum Meist John. der  
 waren Mir die selbe mehr. Am nächsten Tag der 14.  
 zehnbis Mir 10. Mail mehr mehr zehnbis. nach  
 Erimty. zu der zehnbis zehnbis. Dort waren Mir  
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## GRANDPA'S READERS

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## IMAGES IN THE FIRE.

"Well, if you must have a story," said Mr. Villars to his children, who came flocking into the dining-room, "if you must have a story, you shall; so, listen to me. Sit still, all of you, and do not speak one word till I have done. Now, then I am going to begin.

"It was at Christmas, when the snow lay on the ground, and the wintery wind howled through the elm trees, that a party of boys and girls were at play together, at the house of Mr. Allen.

"When they had played at every thing they could think of, and all became weary, they formed a circle round the fire, and sat down to eat some apples, and to crack some nuts.

"After they had finished their feast, and thrown the shells into the embers, 'Oh!' said one of the little boys, 'see how blue these shells make the fire burn! and besides, there is something that looks like little girls and boys at play.'

"'But I can see a ship,' said one; 'there she is, with her hull, and masts, and sails, just ready to float upon the billows. I never saw a better ship; surely, you must all see it. That part is the bow, and the other end is the stern. Look at it!'

"Here every one tried to make out the form of the ship; but none of them succeeded. 'I can not see a ship,' said one of them; 'but I can see a camel, as plainly as if it were a real one.

"'There is his long neck, and there are the two humps on his back, just as if he were jogging on with his Arab master, and load of goods, across the sandy desert. It is a capital camel!'

"Now, capital as the camel was, no one could make it out, but the one who had spoken about it. Every one tried; but all tried in vain.

"At last, said a little girl, named Amelia, 'Though I can not see a camel, I can see a shepherd with a flock of sheep around him. There is the crook in his hand, and there are the sheep,—some are standing up, and some lying down, and here and there are the little lambs too. Oh how fine!'

"Again, all the rest of them opened their eyes wide, and bent down toward the fire, to see the shepherd, and the sheep, and the lambs; but no one could make them out.

"A fair-haired girl, with a meek, sweet-looking countenance, at last, said that what Amelia called a shepherd, looked much more like an angel.

"She could make out his wings, and something like a harp in his hand, and 'then,' said she, 'you can all see those bright, golden rays around his head.' Plain as all this appeared to be, no other eye but her own could discern it.

"Just at this moment, as they had all tried to show each other the different objects in the fire, Mr. Allen came into the room to see that the children were all comfortable and happy.

"Though his cheek was ruddy, and his step firm, his hairs were white with age; and many were the lessons of wisdom which he had learned, during a long and useful life.

"As soon as he entered the room, the joyful group were eager to tell him what they had seen, or rather fancied they had seen in the fire, and asked him how it was that they could not all see the same things there.

"Mr. Allen willingly undertook to explain to them what they had not been able to understand. With this, he put before their eyes glasses of different colors, and told them to look at the fire through them. 'The fire is as blue as my jacket,' cried one. 'Blue!' said another; 'why, it is as green as grass.'

"How can you say that!' observed a third, 'when it is as yellow as gold?' 'Yellow!' cried a fourth, 'it is a very comical kind of yellow, then; for the fire looks, through my glass, as red as blood.'

"My dear children," said Mr. Allen, "the fire appears to you of different colors, because you have looked at it through different colored glasses; and the reason why you have seen different forms in the fire, is, because you have looked at it with different thoughts and feelings.

"It is no real wonder that one who reads of voyages with pleasure, who likes to hear of sailors, and who longs to sail over the billowy deep,—it is no great wonder that he should find out a form in the fire, resembling what is commonly in his mind.

"It is just the same with another who delights to read or hear of sandy deserts, and merchants, and camels; his fancy helps him to form what is pleasant to him. In this manner, all of you have been influenced, in some measure by those things which are most pleasant to your minds.

"For this reason, we should delight in that which is good and useful. In this way, we shall not only have pleasant ideas or images in our own minds, but they will influence us to show other persons the way to the same pleasures which we have found ourselves."

## MAY IN DECEMBER

I know the old dwelling has need of repair,  
The steps are run down and low,  
The hinges creak, the walls need paint,  
The windows have lost their glow,  
The rafters tremble, the roof looks drear  
Where the winter's snow is piled  
BUT THE HAPPY ME who lives inside  
Has the heart of a little child.

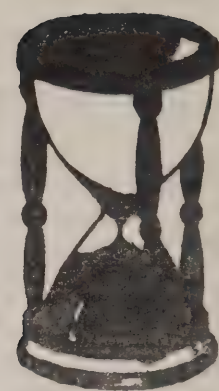
For my windows all look to the eastern sky  
With its first pink flush of morn,  
For the rift in the clouds, when the shadows flee  
And all nature is reborn.  
I'm deep in the fragrance of lilacs in May  
Tho' my feet touch the ice-bound sod,  
For it's always, always springtime  
In the heart that walks with God.

Hildur Palm Sheady

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus



# The Hour Glass



To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

## THE UMBLE FAMILY

by Levi L. Stoltzfus and Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

In order to distinguish the different names and generations we will commence with numbers. As you noticed last month the immigrant of the Umble Family was the orphan boy named Christian Umble, which we will number as No. 1. His oldest son was John Umble, married to Mary, or Polly, Kurtz, which we will number as No. 2, and their oldest daughter was Elizabeth Umble, married to Pre. Groffdale John Stoltzfus, which we will number as No. 3. The second child of John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble was (4) John Umble Jr. (2), born July 7, 1813, died Jan. 20, 1892, married to Elizabeth Kurtz, daughter of Jacob and Nancy (Yoder) Kurtz of Upper Leacock Twp., Lancaster County. They are both buried in the Spring Garden Cemetery. (4) John Jr. and Elizabeth Umble got the old Umble farm, located northwest of the town of Gap. There were seven children born to this union, six of which died young and are buried in the Spring Garden Cemetery. One, named (5) Elizabeth Umble (4), grew to adult age, born Jan. 23, 1847, died May 7, 1906, and was married to (5) Peter Reeser, born July 14, 1844; to this union were born two children, (6) Anna Mary Reeser (5), born March 23, 1882, and (7) John U. Reeser (5), born April 10, 1886. After the marriage of (5) Peter and Elizabeth (Umble) Reeser, (2) John Umble Sr. purchased for them a farm in Salisbury Twp., which had been owned by his uncle, Christian Umble Jr., who was never married, and joins the farm of Amos M. Lapp, Kinzers R1. Samuel L. Blank also lived on this farm at one time. After the death of Peter Reeser the farm came into possession of his only son, John U. Reeser, who in turn sold it to several Purina Feed dealers for the use of a Hog Experimental Farm.

Much credit must be given to John U. Reeser for information received concerning the Umble family. He still has on hand several pieces of furniture and linens dated back to 1833, which had belonged to his grandmother, Elizabeth (Kurtz) Umble.

Next on the list of (2) John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble was (8) Christian Umble (2), born April 6, 1815, died Nov. 19, 1880, married to Lydia Kurtz, daughter of Christian Kurtz Jr., who resided on the Elam A. Stoltzfus farm in Salisbury Township. Christian Umble and his brother, Henry Umble, were in partnership in the milling and grain business, having one mill at Kinzers and one at Bellevue, now called Gap. As stated last month, Henry moved west and was in the grain business at Chicago, Illinois and Evansville, Indiana.

To (8) Christian and Lydia (Kurtz) Umble were born two sons, namely; Henry Scott Umble, who died single in his early twenties; and (9) Jacob K. Umble (8), born March 28, 1848, died Aug. 1, 1915, married to Amanda Espenshade, daughter of Christian and Maria (Binkley) Espenshade. Jacob K. and Amanda Umble had one son, Christian J. Umble, born Nov. 11, 1884.

Maria Binkley was a descendant of Christian Binkley, the builder of Binkley's Bridge over the Conestoga Creek at Eden along Route 23 a few miles east of Lancaster in 1789. He also built the Grist Mill at the same place, and sold out to a man by the name of Garver, who, in turn, converted it into a "Printers Paper Mill," in 1866. Sometime after that it was operated by Jacob K. Umble.

(10) Fannie Umble (2), born March 16, 1819, died Jan. 1, 1855, married to Samuel L. Blank, son of Pre. John and Fannie (Lantz) Blank. They are both buried in the Spring Garden Cemetery. Samuel L. Blank married his second wife, Lovina Massey. Their children are (11) Joseph E. Blank (10), born 1837, died 1894, married to Caroline Hertzler, born Feb. 5, 1838 at Port Royal, Juniata Co., Pa., the same day that her mother died. At six weeks of age she was taken by relatives in a basket on horse back to Morgantown, a distance of one hundred and twenty miles. There is a large offspring of this family, mostly affiliated with the Mennonite Church. (12) John Umble Blank (10), married to Ella Whitman, lived at Cambridge; (13) Justus Henry Blank (10), married to Barbara Ellen Yoder, moved to Cass Co., Missouri; (14) Mary Blank (10), married to Christian Stoltzfus, son of Tennessee John Stoltzfus, they moved with their parents to Concord, Tenn., from there they moved to Texas, where they died; (15) Nancy, or Annie, Blank (10), married to David Lantz, son of Pre. Samuel Lantz, Mennonite; (16) Elizabeth Blank (10), married to George Manchey of Glen Elder, Kansas; (17) Lydia Blank (10), died single; (18) Enoch (10), died single; (19) Fanny Blank (10), married George Bertweiser.

(20) Nancy Umble (2), another daughter of John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble, born June 29, 1820, died Aug. 16, 1903, married to Christian Kurtz, son of Jacob and Nancy (Yoder) Kurtz of Upper Leacock



Township. Christian Kurtz and Nancy, his wife, are both buried in the Amish Cemetery at Spring Garden.

(21) Jacob Umble (2), son of John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble, born April 15, 1822, died Nov. 5, 1892, married to Barbara Kurtz, daughter of Christian and Cathrine (King) Kurtz. They are buried in the Millwood Cemetery. Their children are (22) Jacob G. Umble (21), married to Mary Detweiler, lived in Ohio; (23) Priscilla Umble (21), married to the Mennonite Bishop, Samuel E. Allgyer, of West Liberty, Ohio; (24) Annie Umble (21), married to Preacher Jacob Mellinger of Soudersburg, Pa.; (25) John Adams Umble (21), born Feb. 24, 1853, died Dec. 19, 1923, married to Mary Esh, the daughter of Abraham and Cathrine (Headings) Esh of the Amish settlement in Union County, Pennsylvania. John A. Umble and his brother, Isaac Umble, conducted a feed and lumber business at Bird-in-Hand for many years. John and Mary (Esh) Umble had four children, William, Jacob, Annie Barbara, and Mary Irene who was married to Clarence Brubaker, founder of the Bird-in-Hand Poultry Farm. (26) Isaac Umble (21), born 1859, died 1948, married to Christianna Lantz, born 1863, daughter of Pre. Samuel Lantz, they also lived at Bird-in-Hand. (26.1) Benjamin Franklin Umble (21), born at Gap in 1856, married to Nancy Stoltzfus, born 1856 in Union Co., Pa., a daughter of Deacon Christian and his second wife, Lydia (Beiler) Stoltzfus. They lived in Union Co., Pa., before their removal to Logan County, Ohio. They had several children, one of which was John Sylvanus Umble, married to Alice Landis, daughter of Deacon Amos S. and Sabina (Ebersole) Landis of Goshen, Indiana. He was at one time professor of Goshen College and a historical writer.

(27) Joseph Umble (2), the youngest son of John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble, born March 31, 1829, died March 1, 1905, married to Phoebe Dickinson, born 1839, died 1922, daughter of Henry and Anna Dickinson. The old Umble farm north of Gap was divided, Jacob got the home farm and Joseph got the new set of buildings. In 1863 Joseph was a Justice of the Peace. From March 3, 1865 to Jan. 31, 1866 he was Captain of the Civil War over Government grounds. After he was out of the army he was again a Justice of the Peace. In 1905 there appeared an obituary in the Reading Eagle newspaper giving an account of Joseph Umble. You will notice that he was from a family of nine of which we have record of only eight children. (Writer's note) We are inclined to believe there was a girl named Barbara Umble married to a Zook of which we have no record. Obituary follows:

THE READING EAGLE WED. MAR. 1, 1905

Capt. Joseph Umble

One of the city's best known citizens, died at the Mansion Home at 4:00 o'clock this morning, after an illness of several weeks. His condition was serious this past week. Mr. Umble was a son of the late John Umble and was born in Salisbury, Lancaster Co. He was a strong anti-slavery advocate, and when President Lincoln issued his first call for troops for 100 days Mr. Umble was

one of the first in this community to offer his services. After the expiration of that period he returned to Lancaster Co. and former Company 1, 195th Regiment, of which he was Captain. The organization fought throughout the war and Mr. Umble made an excellent record. At the close he returned to Gap, Lancaster County where he lived until he came to this city in 1889. He was a staunch Republican and has taken a prominent part in politics since he reached his Majority. From 1882-1884 he was Register of Wills of Lancaster County. Mr. Umble had many friends and was the last in the family of nine.

Surviving are his widow Phoebe and four children, Joseph D. C. Umble proprietor of the Mansion House; Mamie (Mary); Ida Ella; Phoebe Eva wife of R. Milton Breneiser all of this city.

Next on the list of the family of the immigrant, or the orphan boy, (1) Christian Umble and his wife, Barbara (Blank) (Garver) Umble, is (28) Henry Umble (1), born Nov. 26, 1786, died April 14, 1876, married to Anna Stoltzfus, born 1786, died April 1, 1865, daughter of Bishop Christian and Elizabeth (King) (Lantz) Stoltzfus. Christian Umble purchased for his son, Henry Umble, the farm now owned by Preacher Samuel Zook and occupied by his son, David Zook, at Byerstown in Salisbury Twp., Lancaster County. This farm was owned by three Henry Umbles, father to son, for a period of ninety eight years. Here Henry Umble and his wife, Anna Stoltzfus, raised a family of nine children, namely; (29) Christian Umble (28); Elizabeth Umble, born May 9, 1813, died single 1864; Barbara and Katie, twins both died single; Anna, died young; Henry Umble; Stenia, died young; Anna Umble, married to John Neuhauser; Stenia, or Christianna, married Christian Blank.

The oldest, (29) Christian Umble (28), married to Leah Smoker, daughter of David and Mary (Lapp) Smoker. They lived, and probably started house-keeping, on a farm south of the town of Intercourse before they moved to the farm now owned and occupied by Deacon Ira G. Stoltzfus in Salisbury Township. Much could be said about Christian Umble, in 1852 he was ordained to the ministry and in 1854 to the office of bishop. The same year, in 1852 and perhaps the same day, David Stoltzfus was also ordained. These two men labored together in one church district for forty four years, then in 1896 they both died only a few months apart.

According to tradition, Bishop Christian Umble was a staunch supporter of the Amish Church, he believed in a simple humble life and was also a church leader and moderator, and believed in church discipline. It was not until after his ordination as bishop that the Lower Pequea District of Lancaster County seemed to have a gradually increasing spiritual effect on its members.

Christian and Leah Umble were the parents of eleven children, namely; (30) David Umble (29), married to Anna Stoltzfus; (31) Nancy Umble (29), married to Stephen Stoltzfus; Rebecca Umble, married to



Joseph Hertzler; Rachel Umble, born Feb. 15, 1841, died single at the age of 87 years; Leah Umble, married to Stephen Stoltzfus, the husband of her deceased sister, Nancy; Christian Umble, married to Lizzie Swartzentruber; Mary Umble, died young; Henry Umble, died single; John Umble, born 1850, died single; Levi Umble, married to Stena Swartzentruber, Mennonite; Samuel Umble, married first to Savilla Loar, second to Barbara Smoker, Mennonite.

The oldest son, (30) David Umble (29), as mentioned above, was married to Anna Stoltzfus and had eight children, namely; Samuel, born 1859, died single, 1931; Leah, married to Amos Flaud; Christian, born 1863, died single, 1934; Susie, married to Isaac Petersheim; Rebecca, born 1869, died single; David Jr., born 1871, died single; Benjamin Umble, born 1875, died 1953, married first to Rachel Stoltzfus, second to Christianna Blank, no children were born to this union; Annie Umble, married to Amos K. Allgyer, no children. The reason we mentioned the above names is to show the reason why the name, Umble, is no longer found among the Amish Churches of today. The sons, Henry and John, died single; Christian, Levi and Samuel were affiliated with the Mennonite Church.

(31) Nancy, or Anna, Umble (29), the second child of Bishop Christian and Leah (Smoker) Umble was married to Stephen Stoltzfus, the son of Bishop John K. Stoltzfus of Groffdale. To this union were born two children, namely; (32) Christian U. Stoltzfus (31), better known as "Sandy Christ," married to Leah Fisher; and Mary, who died single. After the death of Nancy Umble, Stephen Stoltzfus married the second time to Nancy's sister, Leah Umble. To them were born five children, two who are living at the present are Stephen U. Stoltzfus and Henry U. Stoltzfus, both of Salisbury Township; another son was the late Deacon Levi U. Stoltzfus.

Next on the list is (33) Rebecca Umble (29), married to Joseph Hertzler, who was a watchmaker and jeweler. They had two surviving children, Amos Hertzler of Lancaster County, and Anna Hertzler, married to (Cooper) Christ Yoder of McVeytown, Mifflin Co., Pa. Some of their descendants moved to Wayne Co., Ohio and some to Garden City, Mo.

Next on the list is (34) Christian Umble (29) married to Lizzie Swartzentruber, no children were born to this union. Next is (35) Levi Umble (29), married to Stena Swartzentruber, a sister to his brother Christian's wife, and daughter of Casper Swartzentruber. There is a large offspring of this family, being mostly affiliated with the United Brethren and Presbyterian Churches.

A brother to Bishop Christian Umble and son of Henry and Anna (Stoltzfus) Umble, is (36) Henry Umble (28), married to Susie Miller, a daughter of Christian and Fannie (Petersheim) Miller. They lived on the farm where their parents did, this being the second Henry Umble to occupy the farm south of Byerstown, Salisbury Township. They were the parents of three children, namely; (37) Nancy, or Anna (36), married to Nicklas Summers, Mennonite, a

son of John and Elizabeth (Yoder) Summers, they lived in the vicinity of Gap; (38) Christian Umble (36), married to Elizabeth Fisher, daughter of Pre. Gideon and Mattie (Esh) Fisher, they had four children living in the vicinity of Gap.

Third is (39) Henry Umble Jr. (36), or the third Henry Umble to occupy the same farm for ninety eight years, married to Malinda Glick, daughter of Samuel Glick of Belleville. Henry Jr. sold the farm at the turn of the century and moved further south into Chester Co., Pa. in the Atglen and Parkesburg area. They had three children, namely; (40) John Umble (39), married to Ada Kauffman, daughter of Michael and Mary (Stoltzfus) Kauffman. They had a large family of which several are ordained to the ministry in the Mennonite Churches. Second is (41) Samuel G. Umble (39), married to Carrie Coyle, a girl that was adopted into an Amish family. Samuel G. Umble married his second wife, Ada, the widow of his brother John, they had several children. Third is (42) Mary G. Umble (39), born 1887, died single.

Next on the list of Henry and Anna (Stoltzfus) Umble is (43) Anna Umble (28), married to John Neuhauser, son of Christian and Magdalena (Zwalder) Neuhauser (see October, 1972 issue of THE DIARY). John Neuhauser had married his first wife, Lydia Blank, daughter of Pre. John and Fannie (Lantz) Blank, and granddaughter of Bishop John Blank. John Neuhauser had eleven children from his first marriage, and three from his second wife, Anna Umble, namely; (44) Susan Neuhauser (43), married to Abraham K. Stoltzfus, son of Elias and Elizabeth (Kurtz) Stoltzfus, no children were born to this union; (45) Jonas U. Neuhauser (43), married to Malinda Mast, daughter of Amos and Sarah (Kauffman) Mast, they had a family of eight children, and for many years owned and operated a farm machinery business and hardware store at Bird-in-Hand, Pa. under the name of J. U. Neuhauser and Sons; (46) Isaac Neuhauser (43), married to Mable Wiker, also lived at Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania.

(47) Christianna, or sometimes spelled Stena, Umble (28) was born Oct. 19, 1826, died 1918, married to Christian Blank, son of Deacon Christian and Catherine (Yoder) Blank. They lived in the vicinity of Millwood. To this union were born several children: Catharine Blank; Anna Blank, married to Benjamin Glick, no children were born to this union; Elizabeth Blank; (48) Henry Blank (47), married to Lydia Zook, daughter of S. Levi and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Zook. To mention a few of their children, were Nancy Blank, married to Jacob King, second to Jacob Smucker. Jacob King died in 1943 from injuries received from a run-away team loaded with logs. His brother-in-law, (49) Christian Blank (48), was injured in the same accident, from which he never fully recovered and died one year later. This Christian Blank married to Catharine King, their son, Moses Blank, is a minister in one of the Lower Pequea Districts. (50) Christianna Blank (48), married to Benjamin Umble.

End of the Umble Family



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The end of the thirty years war (1648) left France in a strong position on the continent of Europe. Under King Louis XIV France gave much attention to European affairs. He was a strong ruler and under his leadership France and Spain practically dominated Europe. But, according to one history writer, he lived too long and ventured too rashly, so that at the time of his death (1715) the French people rejoiced. His son, who was trained to succeed him, had died before him. Now the powers were passed on to a great-grandson, Louis XV, who was young and weak, and under his reign a French revolution began to form. In 1774 King Louis XVI came on the throne. He tried to reform, but it was too long and too late and in 1789 the revolution began. The harvest of 1789 was poor, food prices were high and there was a violent protest against the government. In that year the old regime was abolished. In 1793 both the king and queen were executed. In 1795 Napoleon came to power.

Now, perhaps, a last word should be said about world governance, concerning the Swiss Brethren in Switzerland, as well as those who have been driven to the highlands of Germany and France. Frequently the question will be asked, how long did the persecution last? Well, a definite answer that would apply to all bodies of Christians in every part of Europe would be next to impossible. But the general persecution of the papacy did end under the powers of Napoleon when he sent Berthier, one of his generals, to take over Rome. In 1798 this general was successful in this act. He made the pope a prisoner and carried him away from his palace and out of Italy. The papacy was stripped of its civil powers. For over a century Bible students have taken this mark to be the end of the prophecies of Daniel—and think to change times and law—until a time and times and the dividing of time, Dan. 7:25, or 1260 years. The fourteenth chapter of The Revelation also refers to these times, the beginning and the end of false prophets and persecution of the true Christians, and in Matthew twenty four our Lord points out these times clearly and boldly. While we feel there is a place for these prophecy studies to be discussed, we do not feel this is the proper place so we will now leave this subject open for individuals to study.

(Note: The text of this article gained information from various history books, but mainly from "Men and Nations," World Book Co., New York.)

#### Civil Rights Affect the Church

The situation of the Mennonites (in France) depended upon the authorities, who, in general, were favorable to them (from "Recherches Historiques sur les Anabaptists," by Charles Mathiot).

We will remember the Peter Grayenbuhl report of a great body of Swiss Brethren who were driven from their homeland. Apparently they followed a trail through the Jura Mountains, they proceeded to Basel and soon they were at the border of Switzerland where they crossed into Alsace which, after the war, belonged to France. The most detailed accounts of the welfare of our Swiss Brethren in France, in our

hands, is a study made by Charles Mathoit and Roger Boigeol, who have labored extensively to collect documents from archives of various parts of France (which exist today) to compile invaluable information and piece it together in book form. The book was last printed in 1969.

The Bernese patricians with their pride and military spirit, their corruption, were the extreme opposite of the Christians without defense, living a simple life and asking only for the freedom to practice their faith in peace. By time this opposition became unendurable to the defenseless. Now they are in Montbéliard and neighboring regions.

Even before the 1671 movement, as early as Feb. 4, 1660, do we have a record of the ministers of this Mennonite church of Alsace gathered together for a conference at Ohnenheim, near Ribeauville to sign the confessions of faith of 1632. The exodus of 1671 and the following years brought several hundred refugees to Alsace and the Palatinate. The list of these unfortunate people contains names we shall meet again: Lichti, Ummel, Russer, Bigler, Eucher, Stauffer, Wittmer, Lehman, Kropf, Bachman, Muller, Eymann, Roth, Schneider, Wenger, Blaser, Graber, Kauffman, Hauter, Joder, Neuhauser, Lugbull, Stoll, Sommer, Mosiman, etc. They left with very little baggage and a few rappen in their pockets. They took with them many old people and small children. They went wherever they could find a plot of land to clear, a farm to rent, some work to undertake. They sought to settle near brothers who were already established, seeking one another, calling on one another, helping each other mutually. Their troubles were not over when they settled. Although they were promised freedom without a written pledge they were occasionally attacked by jealous people, who, seeing them work and succeed, tried to discredit them so as to take their place. In 1696 some Mennonites from the region of Sainte-Marie aux-Mines believed it to be their duty to remind French authorities that, according to their doctrine, they didn't have the right to participate in public affairs.

Feb. 27, 1696, James ? (Jacob) Aman of Anabaptist persuasion, the spokesman for all those of his religion living in the entire area of Val, including Ulrich Miller, who was there earlier, declared that not one of them is in condition to serve Heimbürg in any spot in the valley, nor their sons are able to fulfill military service, and therefore offer to give the count several hommages each year, to fulfill what is owed to Heimbürg.

A transaction, accepted by both sides, granted these dispensations to the Mennonites, on the condition of an annual fee of 45 pounds (from Tournois).

But in 1702 the people were obligated to state once again: The Anabaptist community of Val Ste-Marie, Liepvre, and Eshery, saying that they have the honor to be under the protection of his Supreme Highness, the Prince Balatin of Birckenfield, our master would agree to give them each year 15 crowns in order to fulfill their obligations.

In 1708 the question of military service is under consideration.

Joseph F. Beiler

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## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

## Preimmigration Conditions

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## World Governance

In this world every domain has its days. In Europe the pope ruled century after century, so long that it almost became a universal thing. But in the beginning of the sixteenth century it came to a break, at least in some parts. This time is often referred to as a period of reformation.

"The new spirit," as it was called by state authorities, came on the church. Some of the young priests of highest rank began searching for the truth. A certain Johann Letzel was employed by an archbishop as a salesman to raise funds to pay for home debts in Rome. This salesman claimed that the purchase of an indulgence could bring pardon for sins not yet committed. As he traveled through German territory he ran into trouble. Martin Luther who had been trained in law, was now in Wittenberg to study to teach. Luther was a Roman Catholic and was shocked by Letzel's sales campaign, so he protested to the church superior. In 1517 Luther broke away from the state church. In Switzerland Ulrich Zwingli protested against Rome about the same time. John Calvin, a Frenchman, also educated for the law, fancied the reform idea young, but while chances were slim to gain support to his idea in France, he moved to Switzerland. There he was the successor to Ulrich Zwingli. The John Calvin doctrine spread to many parts of Europe (also called Huguenots) and even to America. They demanded freedom of worship and political rights.

In England John Wycliffe, who was a Catholic priest and teacher, implied to a reform of religion almost a century earlier at the same time John Huss, a Bohemian priest, chose to lead a reform, and was burned at the stake (see 1970 volume of THE DIARY, p. 94 & 95). None of the later two leaderships were very effective in their time but they did kindle a fire

that spread through whole Europe, a new spirit did prevail.

By 1530 the reformed groups increased in size and strength, they had articles of faith drawn up against the pope, they protested against Catholic nobles, which resulted in a religious war in Europe. In 1555 a treaty was signed at Augsburg. Here the Lutherans gained ground and Lutheranism was the only recognized creed. Here it must be added that the Lutherans or Protestant, domain persecuted the Anabaptists much the same as they were persecuted by the Catholics. A non-resistant group should never be called protestants.

After, or during, this war the Catholics began a program of reform. Pope Paul III summoned a council of church leaders to meet in Trent, Italy. They were to consider the protestant criticisms and make a reform in church doctrines. A new group was organized by Toyola who called his followers Jesuits. He trained many of his people to be missionaries. These Roman Catholic missionaries became famous as we remember History, Father Marquette explored the Mississippi in America.

As both sides gained strength again misunderstandings arose between the Catholics and the Protestants. Some sections of Germany were Catholic and some were Lutheran. As the protestants converted more of these sections they demanded political rights to govern them, which resulted in another religious war. This broke out in 1618 and lasted thirty years.

This time they were determined to fight it out, and they did fight until they were nearly exhausted. Since most of the battlefields were in Germany, it suffered the most. Southern Germany, including Alsace, was nearly stripped bare, and many died from starvation. In these sections the authorities became tolerant towards the Anabaptists and invited them in to build up the land.

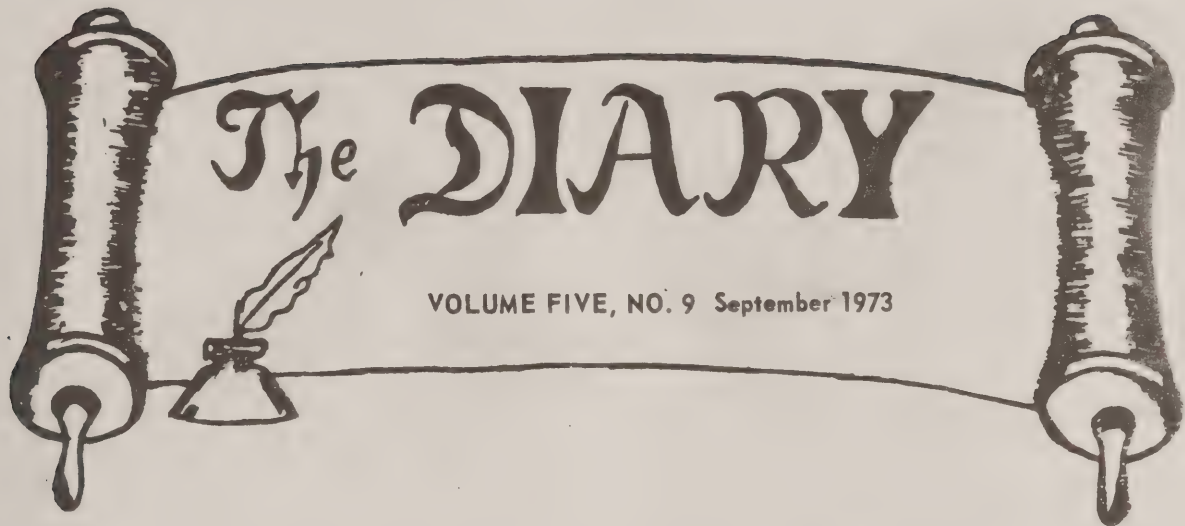
In 1648 a treaty was signed at Westphalia, France received Alsace, England was free from papacy, Switzerland and Holland were independent. Another result of the war was that a war is not the answer to their problem. In time of exhaustion and despair man came to realize that people of different religions could live together peacefully in the same country. Perhaps right here the idea of religious freedom was born or born again. The fathers of our country adopted this idea at the beginning.

Before we conclude this topic we will want to look at one more thing. As we page through the MARTYRS MIRROR we will see hundreds and thousands of names of folks that have been put to death in the most cruel manner. Among them are men and women of all ages. The most impressive to us is when we read of a boy or young man or woman in the prime of life to have enough courage to stand for their faith even unto death. But now we can look at it from another side. Had they given in to the protestant judges at times of trial and given up their faith, chances are high that many young men would have been inducted into one of these cruel wars and suffered a horrible death instead of a peaceful one.

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### SMALL BOY KILLED BY CAR

The Nappanee, Indiana Community was saddened when tragedy struck the Alvin D. Borkholder family on Sunday afternoon, September 15th. Their boys were playing ball in a field across the road from their house. Daniel, 5 years old, wanted to cross the road back to the house. He waited for a car to pass but failed to see one coming from the opposite direction, and ran out in front of it. The driver of the car couldn't avoid hitting him. He was instantly killed by a broken neck. (See obituary)

### ADAMS CO., IND. MAN ON KIDNEY MACHINE

Nathan A. Wickey of Monroe RI, Ind. remains a patient in the Lutheran Hospital since September 20. They operated on him Sept. 21 and took a kidney out. It was infected which caused high blood pressure. He's on the kidney machine three times a week. He is very weak and remains in bed most of the time.

### WROXETER, ONT. ACCIDENT

Gary Wayne, 13, son of Joni D. and Lydia (Yoder) Miller of Wroxeter, Ont. was hurt quite badly on the 15th of September. He and his brother were putting the last load of corn into the silo when all of a sudden the team took off. Gary jumped off and ran in front to stop them but they ran over him, wagon and all. When Gary got up he could hardly walk, but no bones were broken. He had a big gash in his right hip, about 1½ in. deep which required 17 stitches. He was rushed to the hospital and was there one day and had to be in bed five days.

### LIGHTNING KILLS CATTLE IN AUDRAIN CO., MO.

Eight heifers and one steer were killed under a tree, by lightning, on September 21st, six belonging to Elmer Yoders and three to his son, Daniel.

### INJURIES FATAL TO WISCONSIN MAN

Dan S. Miller, 64, of New Glarus, Wis., died from injuries while working in a pallet shop, when a tractor wheel went over him. He died in the hospital three hours later.

### CONEWANGO VALLEY, N. Y. HOUSE FIRE

On September 27th the house owned by Raymond A. Bylers burned to the ground. The exact cause is unknown, but they had been canning vegetable soup and possibly it was caused by an over-heated stove. Nothing was saved except a rocking chair, a desk drawer and a lamp. Both their buggies were burned as the barn also had caught fire, but was extinguished. Raymond is the son of Atlee J. Bylers and Elizabeth is a daughter of Simon Troyers. They have one daughter, aged two years.

### MERCER CO., PA. ACCIDENT

Albert Byler, 50, was hit by a car when driving on the blacktop road at McCartney's Feed Mill. The horse was almost instantly killed. Albert was in the hospital one day. He has a broken wrist and finger, and three broken ribs.

### ASHLAND, OHIO ACCIDENT VICTIMS

Concerning the children of Harley S. Yoders of Olivesburg Rd., Ashland, Ohio that were hit by an intoxicated driver on August 23rd (see front page, August issue): Rosie has regained consciousness and seems to be coming along okay, although she doesn't have much feeling in either legs, which were both broken. She had surgery on her back to repair several broken vertabras. Junior has shown slight improvement although hasn't regained full consciousness yet. He is in an isolated room due to an infection in his foot.





*"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen."*

Mark 10:14



## BIRTHS

### Dover, Delaware

- BEACHY, Simon H. (Ada Mast) Dover R2  
a daughter LIZZIE ANN, August 30  
MAST, Levi E. (Emma Beachy) Wyoming R1  
a son HENRY, September 28  
MAST, Sam D. (Lena Miller) Dover R2  
a daughter KATIE ANN, September 17  
TROYER, John S. (Miriam Coblentz) Hartley R1  
a daughter LYDIA ANN, September 3

### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- BEILER, Daniel S. (Lillian Beiler) Quarryville R3  
a daughter NAOMI B., September 20  
BEILER, John S. (Lizzie E. Lapp) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son EMANUEL, September 27  
BEILER, Jonas (Gertrude Stoltzfus) Ronks R1  
a son ELAM, September 9  
BLANK, Joseph Jr. (Malinda Smucker) Narvon R2  
a daughter NAOMI, September 6  
ESCH, Elan Jr. (Mary Zook) 2210 Creek Hill Rd.  
Lancaster, a son IVAN, September 28  
ESCH, Samuel J. (Rebecca King) Strasburg R1  
a son DANIEL, September 10  
FISHER, Aaron M. (Rachel B. Lantz) 233 Miller St.  
Strasburg, a daughter LEAH L., September 16  
FISHER, Elam F. (Emma S. Lapp) Ronks R1  
a son ELAM F. JR., September 29  
FISHER, Jacob J. (Barbara K. Esh) Strasburg R1  
a daughter REBECCA K., September 15  
FISHER, John M. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a daughter SADIE MAE, September 29  
FISHER, Levi S. (Naomi Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter KATIE ANN, September 20  
GLICK, Aaron (Elizabeth Beiler) New Holland R2  
a daughter BARBARA ANN, September 10  
GLICK, Benjamin (Lizzie King) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son SAMUEL, September 14  
GLICK, David E. (Katie R. Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter MARTHA B., September 19  
HERSCHBERGER, Christ B. (Annie Lapp) Ronks R1  
a daughter KATIE, September 30  
KING, Abram Z. (Lizzie K. Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a daughter SADIE S. September 14  
KING, Daniel S. (Elizabeth E. Beiler) Lititz R1  
a daughter NAOMI Mae, September 9  
KING, Jacob (Esther King)  
a daughter MIRIAM  
KING, John (Katie Beiler) Paradise R1  
a daughter BARBARA ANN, September 7  
KING, Levi K. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a daughter SARAH S., September 16  
LAPP, John K. (Rebecca F. Smucker) Paradise R1  
a son AARON S., September 28  
LAPP, John K. (Fannie Fisher) Christiana R1  
a son SAMUEL F., September 16  
MILLER, Ephraim K. (Emma S. Esh) 2455 Bachman Rd.  
Lancaster, a son SAMUEL, September 18

- MILLER, John F. (Hannah S. Fisher) Paradise R1  
a daughter REBECCA F., September 24  
RIEHL, Christian G. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1, a son AMOS S., July 29  
SMUCKER, Daniel B. (Mary S. Fisher) Gordonville R1  
a daughter SADIE, September 13  
SPEICHER, John J. (Fannie Fisher) 272 Newport Rd.  
Leola, a daughter SADIE MAE, September 22  
STOLTZFOOS, Daniel B. (Fannie Kauffman) Leola R1  
a daughter SYLVIA K., September 30  
STOLTZFOOS, Elam B. (Priscilla Fisher) Leola R1  
a daughter ANNA F., September 25  
STOLTZFUS, Aaron E. (Sarah K. Esh) Leola R1  
a son LEVI L., September 18  
STOLTZFUS, Amos S Jr. (Lydia M. Zook) Christiana R1, a son DAVID WAYNE, September 18  
STOLTZFUS, David L. (Lydia K. King) Gordonville R1  
a son JESSE, September 2  
STOLTZFUS, Elmer L. (Rachel Miller) Leola R1  
a son DAVID, July 2  
STOLTZFUS, John D. (Sadie Fisher) Gordonville R1  
a son DAVID JAY, September 29  
STOLTZFUS, Samuel M. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Narvon R1  
a daughter REBECCA, September 17  
STOLTZFUS, Solomon J. (Anna R. Stoltzfus) Gap R2  
a son AMOS J., September 19  
ZOOK, Alvin S. (Sadie B. Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2  
a son JONAS, September 13  
ZOOK, Daniel B. (Ruth B. Lantz) Gordonville R1  
a daughter REBECCA L., September 3  
ZOOK, Daniel E. (Nancy Mae King) Narvon R1  
a son DANIEL E. JR., September 15  
ZOOK, Jonas (Katie Miller) Quarryville R3  
a son JOSHUA, September 28

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## St. Mary's County, Maryland

STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Sylvia Hertzler) Mechanicsville  
a son ENOS, September 8

## Bradford County, Pennsylvania

GIROD, Daniel (Lovina Yoder) Wyalusing  
a son ERNEST, August 29  
MILLER, Daniel (Anna Miller) LeRaysville  
a daughter RHODA, September 9  
YODER, Ammon (Ida Mae Miller) Little Meadows  
a daughter SYLVIA, August 8

## Path Valley, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Daniel Z. (Mary S. Stoltzfus)  
a son JOHN D.  
HERTZLER, Enos (Fannie Stoltzfus)  
a daughter LYDIA

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Levi R. (Elizabeth Wengerd)  
a daughter ELIZABETH, September 19  
KANAGY, Moses A. (Emma Wengerd)  
a son JOHN, September 15

## Centre County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, David B. (Emma Stoltzfus)  
a son JACOB, September 6  
STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Sarah Huyard)  
a daughter LAVINA, September 18

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, David S. (Mary Peachey) Allensville  
a daughter MARY, September 6

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, M. Wm. (Mary Byler)  
a son JAKE, September 26  
KEIM, Allen (Sarah Miller)  
a daughter ELSIE, August 20  
MILLER, Jake (Anna Mary Byler)  
a son MELVIN, August 18  
MILLER, J. David (Clara Weaver)  
a daughter SARAH, September 3  
TROYER, Ervin (Susie Byler)  
a son MELVIN, August 20  
YODER, Lester (Katie Fisher)  
a son ENOS, August 8

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BRENNEMAN, Mark F. (Lizzie King) Springs  
a daughter ANNA, September 5  
KINSINGER, Roy H. (Susie Hershberger) Meyersdale  
a son MELVIN HENRY, September 6

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Andy B. (Kathryn Schwartz) Stoneboro  
a daughter on September 26

## Conewango Valley, New York

BORKHOLDER, Eli (Anna Yoder)  
a son AMOS, September 15

## Danville, Ohio

MILLER, Uriah J. (Fannie R. Miller) Danville R2  
a son WILLIAM, October 4

## Wayne and Holmes Counties, Ohio

BEACHY, Henry H. (Ada Yoder)  
Millersburg R3, a son, September 21  
BURKHOLDER, John (Susie Miller) Baltic  
a son DENNIS, September 9  
HERSHBERGER, Edward D. (Maryann Miller) Sugar  
Creek R2, a daughter ROSANNA, September 3  
HERSHBERGER, Fred H. (Lovina Miller) Apple Creek  
R2, a son HENRY, August 31  
MAST, Levi C. (Ada Troyer)  
a daughter MARIE, September 19  
MILLER, David M. (Clara Miller) Millersburg R2  
a son, September 9  
MILLER, Eli A. (Clara J. Miller) Shreve R2  
a daughter BARBARA, August 20  
MILLER, Henry (Amanda Miller) Millersburg  
a daughter ROSIE, September 6  
NISLEY, Dan A. (Ella Yoder) Millersburg R3  
a son DENNIS, September 3  
RABER, Levi A. (Mattie Miller) Millersburg R3  
a daughter ANNIE, September 25  
RABER, Noah (Ada Miller) Baltic  
a daughter EDNA MAE, September 10  
STUTZMAN, Levi A. (Ida J. Miller) Millersburg R5  
a son DANIEL, September 27  
SWARTZENTRUBER, Gideon G. (Fannie Yoder) Star R.  
Millersburg, a son ROBERT, September 10  
TROYER, Abe (Mattie Yoder) Millersburg  
a daughter AMANDA, August 28  
TROYER, Aden (Mary Yoder) Baltic  
a son DAVID  
TROYER, Rudy J. (Fannie Kline) Millersburg R4  
a daughter MARLENE, September 11  
WEAVER, Albert E. (Clara Swartzentruber) Fredericks-  
burg R2, a son RUBEN, September 9  
WENGERD, Andy E. (Mary Troyer) Millersburg Star R.  
a son MERLE, September 8  
WENGERD, Eli E. (Lizzie Mast)  
a daughter KATIE, August 29  
YODER, Abe (Mary Troyer) Baltic  
a daughter MARY ESTHER

## Utica, Ohio

MILLER, Walter (Wilma Gingerich) Gambier R1  
a son ANTHONY RAY, September 8

## Ashland County, Ohio

KEIM, John (Laura Yoder) Ashland R5  
a daughter SALOMA, September 20  
TROYER, Sam (Elizabeth Miller) Shiloh  
twin daughters ANNIE and FANNIE, September 2  
YODER, Dannie (Amanda Hershberger) Greenville  
a son, September 29  
YODER, Elmer (Maryann Keim) Greenwich  
a daughter LAURA, September 5

## Hicksville, Ohio

MULLET, Joseph (Katie Eash)  
a son JOHN ROBERT, August 28  
RABER, David (Verna Mae Wagler)  
a son JOHN HENRY, July 7  
YODER, Amos (Freda Mast)  
a son WAYNE JAY, September 27



## BIRTHS, Continued

## Geauga County, Ohio

- BYLER, Crist U. (Lizzie Ann Weaver)  
a daughter on September 12
- DETWEILER, John J. (Sylvia J. Slaubach)  
a daughter on September 19
- FISHER, Allen D. S. (Ada S. Kauffman)  
a son on September 9
- FREY, Harvey H. (Mary Ellen Farmwalt)  
twin sons DANIEL and SAMUEL, September 14
- HOSTETLER, Ben B. (Betty N. Bender)  
a son on September 12
- KAUFFMAN, Andy S. (Emma W. Byler)  
a daughter on September 19
- MILLER, William D. (Agnes Byler)  
a son on September 19
- WEAVER, Joe H. (Katie J. Miller)  
a daughter on September 13
- YODER, David J. (Rachel E. Slaubach)  
a daughter on September

## Centreville, Michigan

- BONTRAGER, Henry (Dorothy Schlabach) Monden  
a daughter EDNA, September 11
- YODER, Tobias L. (Treva Jane Bontrager) Centreville  
a son MALVIN LEE, September 20

## Howard County, Indiana

- MILLER, Alvin S. (Viola Miller) Kokomo R4  
a son RAYMOND, September 4
- YODER, Jerry J. (Rosemary Hochstedler) Greentown  
a son VERLIN DEAN, September 12

## Milroy, Indiana

- TEMP, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy  
a son on September 7

## Allen County, Indiana

- BRANDENBERGER, Martin (Rebecca Grabill) Grabill  
a daughter ADA, September 13
- EICHER, Reuben (Amy Schmucker) New Haven  
a daughter LEORA MARIE, September 25
- GRABER, Alvin (Barbara Zehr) Spencerville  
a son REUBEN, September 2
- LENGACHER, Eli (Anna Schwartz) Grabill  
a son LEWIS, September 11
- LENGECHER, Jacob L. (Emma Troyer) New Haven  
a son SAMUEL
- SCHWARTZ, Marvin (Malinda Schwartz) New Haven  
a son MARVIN, September 23
- SCHWARTZ, Samuel (Viola Schwartz) Grabill  
a son MICHAEL, September 26
- SCHWARTZ, Joseph Jr. (Elizabeth Miller) New Haven  
a son WILMER, September 3
- WICKEY, Reuben (Effie May Brandenberger) New Haven  
a son ERNEST, September 11
- WITTMER, Ben Jr. (Betty Schmucker) Woodburn  
a son
- WITTMER, David (Mary Schmucker) Grabill  
a daughter ANNETTE, September 17
- ZEHR, Henry (Kathryn Schmucker) Grabill  
a daughter ROSEMARY, September 18
- ZEHR, Menno Jr. (Maryann Brandenberger) New Haven  
a son NATHAN, September 1

## Adams County, Indiana

- CHRISTNER, Dave (Katie K. Schwartz) Berne R2  
a son CLETUS, August 25
- CHRISTNER, Sam (Anna Girod) Monroe  
a son ALVIN, September 7
- EICHER, Ernest U. (Lydia Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter LOVINA, September 13
- EICHER, Jake U. (Emma Gingerich) Geneva R2  
a daughter ELIZABETH, August 10
- GIROD, Sam J. (Rosie F. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a son JOHN, September 19
- GIROD, Samuel M. (Barbara Wengerd) Geneva R1  
a daughter CHRISTINE, August
- GRABER, Reuben J. (Barbara Ann Hochstetler) Geneva  
R2, a son REUBEN, August 26
- HILTY, Amos E. (Maggie Graber) Geneva R2  
a son PETER, August 14
- HILTY, Samuel L. (Mary Jane Eicher) Berne R1  
a daughter ELIZABETH, August 27
- HILTY, Jacob Jr. (Lovina Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter EMMA, September 26
- SCHMIDT, Enos (Adeline Wickey) Monroe R1  
a son ENOS, September 2
- SCHWARTZ, Ernest D. (Kathryn Hilty) Berne R1  
a son HARVEY, September 30
- SCHWARTZ, Jake D.J. (Emma Hilty) Berne R2  
a daughter EMMA, August 29
- SCHWARTZ, Joe E. (Martha Eicher) Geneva R2  
a daughter EMMA, August 25
- SCHWARTZ, John L. (Elizabeth G. Schwartz) Monroe  
R1, a daughter MARY, September 16
- SCHWARTZ, Levi A. (Margaret Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a son JOE, September 25
- SCHWARTZ, Levi G. (Josephine V. Schwartz) Geneva  
R1, a son JOE, September 2
- SCHWARTZ, Martin H. (Mary Graber) Geneva R2  
a daughter MARY ANN, September 1
- SCHWARTZ, Menno G. (Katie Christner) Geneva R1  
a son JONATHAN, August 29
- SCHWARTZ, Menno M. (Barbara Ann Eicher) Monroe R1  
a son JAKE, September
- TROYER, LaVern C. (Carol Hilty) Berne R1  
a son ADEN, September 30
- WICKEY, David L. (Barbara K. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a son LEVI, August 8
- ZEHR, Joe (Lucy Schwartz) Berne R2  
a daughter SUSAN, September 21

## Marshall County, Indiana

- BENDER, Floyd (Anna Mae Borkholder) Nappanee R3  
a daughter LAURA JANE, September 26
- BORKHOLDER, Alvin (Ruth Ann Schwartz) Nappanee R3  
a daughter RACHEL, September 23
- BORKHOLDER, Oscar (Maude Hochstetler) Bremen R1  
a son MERVIN JAY, September 22
- CHUPP, Harvey (Lancy Mast) Nappanee R2  
a daughter LYNDIA SUE, August 4
- HOCHSTETLER, Willis (Sarah Hochstetler) Nappanee R3  
a son PERRY LEE, September 26
- TROYER, John C. (Malinda Schmucker) Nappanee  
a daughter

## LaGrange County, Indiana

- BONTRAGER, Olen Joy (Wilma Bontrager) Topeka R1  
a daughter MARIETTA, September 1
- BORKHOLDER, Owen J. (Susie Yoder) Shipshewana  
a son JOSEPH, September 1
- FRY, Ira D. (Alma Bontrager) Middlebury R2  
a son ALTON, September 12
- HERSHBERGER, LeRoy (Wilma Hochstedler) LaGrange  
a daughter NORMA, September 14
- HOSTETLER, Owen Jr. (Esther Mast) Topeka R1  
a daughter LORETTA J., August 31
- KUHNS, Melvin (Clara Raber) Liggett  
twin sons ALVIN M. and MELVIN, JR., Sep
- LAMBRIGHT, Freeman M. (Ada Troyer) Topeka R2  
a son DARRYL, September 2
- LEHMAN, Elmer Lee (Loranna Lehman) White Pigeon,  
Mich., a son GARY WAYNE, September 9
- MILLER, Ezra N. (Mary Schrock) LaGrange R1  
a son HARLEY, September 20
- MILLER, Harley E. L. (Salome Brandenberger) La-  
Grange R2, a son MICHAEL, September 14
- MISHLER, Harry Jr. (Amelia Shabach) LaGrange R2  
a daughter JUANITA, September 1
- MISHLER, Ora J. (Mary Miller) Walnutville R2  
a son ISAAC O., August 21
- MULLET, Melvin L. (Mary Bontrager) LaGrange R4  
a son LONNIE GENE, September 17
- SCHLABACH, Samuel (Ruby Stutzman) Topeka R2  
a son ARLIN RAY, September 9
- SMUCKER, William W. (Amanda Yoder) Topeka R2  
a son JOHN W., September 8
- TROYER, Eli C. (Ruby Miller) Topeka R1  
a daughter MARLENE, September 21
- TROYER, Orla J. (Barbara Bender) Shipshewana R1  
a son ORLA JUNIOR, August 28
- WINGARD, Elmer (Ella Fry) Topeka R2  
a daughter LORA E., September 22
- YODER, LaVern E. (Mabel Mullet) Topeka R1  
a daughter EDNA FERN, September 12
- YODER, Raymond B. (Edna Miller) Topeka R2  
a daughter LORETTA, September 15
- YODER, Wilbur P. (Karen Sue Miller) LaGrange R1  
a son PAUL WAYNE, September 22

## Guthrie, Kentucky

- PEACHEY, Paul S. (Bertha Miller) Guthrie R2  
a daughter MIRIAM, September 1
- SCHLABACH, Freeman (Marie Yoder) Guthrie R2  
a daughter RHODA, September 10

## Benton County, Tennessee

- MILLER, Sam E. (Rachel Coblentz) Holladay R1  
a son STEVEN RAY, September 7
- REYNOLDS, J. Gene (Barbara Miller) Camden R2  
a son MARVIN DANIEL, July 24

## Audrain County, Missouri

- GINGERICH, Andrew E. (Mary Miller)  
a daughter MARY, September 24
- YODER, Eli M. (Lydia Gingerich)  
a son DAVID, September 21

## Elkhart County, Indiana

- BONTRAGER, David (Anna Miller) Middlebury R1  
a daughter LOE
- BONTRAGER, Wilbur (Lizzie M. Bontrager)  
a son RAY, a daughter RUTH
- BONTRAGER, Zora (Lizzie M. Bontrager)  
a daughter on September 21
- HUCHSTETLER  
a son STEVEN
- MILLER, Ray E. (Ada  
in DEVO
- ABAUGH, Elmer A. (Ada Bontrager)  
a daughter ANNA MAE
- WALLER, Paul (Barbara Miller) Shipshewana R1  
a daughter on Se
- LY, Ada (Anna Bender) Middlebury R2  
a daughter ERMA
- YODER, Edwin (Ada Schrock)  
a daughter BARBARA JEAN, September 1
- YODER, Leroy D. (Lourie Miller) Middlebury R1  
a daughter on September 6

## Pike County, Missouri

- HILTY, Melvin (Mary Lee) Bowling Green  
a son ELMER, September 11
- KEMP, Joe (Emma Grace Curry)  
a daughter MARY, August 11
- LEE, Chris (Mary Kauffman) Curry  
a son NOAH, August 4

## Buchanan County, Iowa

- BONTRAGER, Dan B. (Lizzie Mullet) Hazleton  
a daughter MATTIE, September 9
- DETWEILER, Freeman, Jr. (Susie Miller) Independence  
a daughter WILMA, September 13
- GINGERICH, Levi (Maryann Schmucker) Independence  
a daughter MARTHA, September 4
- HELMUTH, Dan J. (Mattie Yoder) Hazleton  
a son NORMAN, September 15
- HELMUTH, Wm. (Katie Raber) Hazleton  
a son CHRISTIE, September 27
- MILLER, Wm. W. (Elberta Yutzy) Hazleton  
a son WILLIAM, JR., September 19
- SCHWARTZ, Menno Jr., (Lizzie Mast) Hazleton  
a son JOE, September 20
- YODER, Amos A. (Katie Mullet) Independence  
a daughter ANNA MAE, September 6

## Johnson County, Iowa

- BONTRAGER, Marvin (Minerva Yoder)  
a daughter CATHERINE, August 8

## Vernon County, Wisconsin

- MILLER, Amos J. (Elizabeth Hershberger) Cashton R3  
a daughter ELLEN, September 30
- SCHMUCKER, Crist (Kathryn L. Miller) Cashton R3  
a daughter AMANDA, September 17
- YODER, Vernon (Elizabeth J. Bontrager) Norwalk R1  
a daughter ANNA, September 15



## BIRTHS, Continued

New Glarus, Wisconsin  
**HERSHBERGER, Alvin** (Frieda Yoder)  
 a daughter **CELESTA KAY**, September 5

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada  
**BONTRAGER, Mose W.**  
 a son **ERVIN**, September 5

Norwich, Ontario, Canada  
**MILLER, Levi J.** (Mary A. Troyer) Springford R1  
 a daughter **BARBARA**, September 11

Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada  
**HERSHBERGER, Leroy L.** (Mary Byler)  
 a son **MARVIN**, September 5

Milverton, Ontario, Canada  
**KUEPFER, Amos and Marie**, Milverton R1  
 a daughter **LINDA**, September 16  
**ZEHR, Sam** (Eva Jantzi) Milverton R1  
 a son **JONATHAN**, August 12

## OBITUARIES

**BYLER, Ellen**, 15 mo., Mercer Co., Pa.  
 daughter of Ben B. and Mary (Troyer) Byler was born June 15, 1972, with a liver ailment, died Sept. 22 from pneumonia on the way to the hospital. Besides her parents she leaves three brothers and three sisters; grandparents, Ben J. Byler and Ed Troyers. A sister preceded her in death of the same liver ailment.

**CHUPP, Jacob J.**, 69, of Arthur, Illinois  
 died Sept. 14 at Milton, Iowa. He and his wife had gone to Milton, Iowa to visit their daughter and son-in-law and family living there, with the intention of helping them build a wash house and shop. But on Wed. evening, Sept. 12 he had a stroke and was taken to Memphis, Mo. hospital, where he gradually got worse and passed away Fri. eve., Sept. 14th. Their children were all notified and were there at the time of death. The body was brought back home to Illinois that night.

A son of John and Martha (Stutzman) Chupp, he was born Aug. 3, 1904, died at the age of 69 yr., 1 mo., 4 days; married Mattie Herschberger Dec. 23, 1926, lived in matrimony 46 yr., 8 mo., 14 days. To this union were born 3 girls and 5 boys, all married; also surviving are 39 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 17, at the home of his brother, Menno, ½ mile south of Arthur, by Bishop Cris E. Otto and Bishop Amos D. Otto; hymn read by Dea. Joe Graber; at the cemetery hymn was read by David J. Stutzman from Milton, Iowa; burial was in Otto Cemetery.

**COBLENTZ, Lovina**, 72, of Geauga Co., Ohio  
 second wife of Pre. David A. Coblentz, died Sept. 18th. Funeral services were held by Gid A. Miller from Cashton, Wis., Noah N. Detweiler, Crist M. Troyer, and Reuben D. Byler from Punxsutawney, Pa.

**EICHER, Mrs. Lydia V.**, 39, Geneva R2, Indiana  
 died at 6:00 a.m. Tues. Sept. 18 at the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient six days. Death was attributed to severe head injuries received at 6:30 p.m. Wed. Sept. 12, when she was thrown from a buggy on which she and her husband were riding. The horse lurched when the shaft broke. Mr. Eicher was unhurt. She suffered severe brain and skull injuries and had been unconscious since the mishap. Mrs. Eicher was the mother of ten children, the youngest being born since she was unconscious and hospitalized. She was born in Monroe Twp., Dec. 28, 1933, a daughter of Amos and Leah (Schwartz) Graber, and was married to Ernest V. Eicher, April 10, 1955. Surviving are the parents, the husband, and the following children, all at home, Leah L., 18, Lydia L., 16, Ernest L., 15, Verena L., 14, Amos L., 13, Menno L., 11, Christian L., 10, Elizabeth L., 7, Henry L., 6, and Lovina L., 5 days. Six sisters and one brother also survive. A son, Joseph died in infancy.

Funeral services were held at the home; burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

**FISHER, Henry Z.**, 83, Paradise R1, Pa.  
 died of natural causes at his home Friday, Sept. 28, at 6:50 p.m. Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of the late David and Barbara (Zook) Fisher. He was married to Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher, who died in January of 1870. He is survived by one daughter, Lizzie, wife of Samuel Zook, Christiana; six sons, Stephen, Kinzers R1; Levi and Henry, Paradise R1; Samuel, Bird-in-Hand; Daniel and Amos, Christiana; a sister, Mrs. Fannie King, Gordonville R1; 57 grandchildren and 72 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Stephen F. Esh, and Samuel K. Fisher of Sugar Valley; burial was in the Gordonville Cemetery.

**ZOOK, Daniel K.**, 79, Lancaster, Pennsylvania  
 died Saturday, September 22, at the home of his daughter, Miss Mary K. Zook, 1687 Lincoln Highway East, with whom he resided. He had been under the care of a physician. Born in Berks County near Morgantown, he was a son of the late Gideon and Annie (Kurtz) Zook, and was the husband of the late Hannah (King) Zook. He is survived by the following sons and daughters: Sarah, wife of William Baumgardner, Lancaster; Moses K. Zook, Lititz; Gideon K. Zook, and Mary K. Zook, both of Lancaster; and Betsy, wife of Ben H. Fisher, Gap R1. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Isaac Zook, Dundee, Ohio, and Amos K. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1; and a sister, Mrs. Sadie King, Leola.

Short funeral services were held at the home by John S. Fisher, hymn by Dea. Aaron M. Beiler; further services were held at the David Beiler home by Moses Blank and Bishop John S. Glick, hymn by Dea. Jacob Zook; at graveyard, hymn was read by Joseph King, abschied by Bishop John M. Beiler; burial was at Beiler's Cemetery.

**KING, Miss Esther, 83, of Gap R1, Pa.**

died Sunday, Sept. 2, at the home of Jacob L. Fisher, where she had been residing for the past couple of weeks. She was formerly from Strasburg. Born in Strasburg Twp., she was a daughter of the late John P. and Sarah (Ebersol) King. She is survived by two brothers, Amos E. King, Willow Street, and Moses King, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held from the David L. King residence, Ronks R1, by Moses Blank and Bish. Amos S. Lapp; burial was in Beiler's Cemetery.

**KUEPFER, David S., 80, Millbank R1, Ont.**

died Tues., Sept. 25, at the Listowel Memorial Hospital. He was born in Mornington Twp. a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Kuepfer. He is survived by the following children, Allan, Newton R1; John, Millbank R1; Mrs. Joel (Tina) Kuepfer and Mrs. Joseph (Sarah) Allbrecht, both of Newton R1; Mrs. Ezra (Miriam) Allbrecht, Millbank R1; Mrs. Harvey (Katie) Jantzi, Milverton R1; and the following brothers and sisters, John of Newton R1, Samuel of Millbank, Solomon of Milverton R1, Mrs. Chris (Nancy) Kuepfer of Millbank, Mrs. Jonathan (Leah) Zehr of Newton R1; 56 grandchildren and 50 great-grandchildren. His wife, the former Mary Zehr, died in 1965. One daughter, three brothers, and three sisters died previously.

Funeral services were held at the home of his son, John, of Millbank R1; burial was in the 7th line Amish Mennonite Cemetery, Mornington Township.

**MAST, Lester D., 44, of Wroxeter, Ont.**

died of cancer at the Wingham and District Hospital, where he was a patient several days, after an illness of two and a half months. He was born in Mesopotamia, Ohio March 18, 1929, and died Sept. 3, 1973. Surviving are his parents, Dan and Laura Mast; his wife, the former Mary Troyer, daughter of the late Eli D. and Mary (Farmwalt) Troyer, whom he married Nov. 12, 1953. Also surviving are 3 sons, and 4 daughter, all at home; 4 brothers and 4 sisters. One brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the Levi Hersberger home by Freeman Kuhns and Eli E. Troyer Jr. both of Middlefield, Ohio; burial was in the Lakelet Cemetery.

**MILLER, Levi E., 83, LaGrange R1, Indiana**

died Monday, Sept. 24, in the LaGrange County Hospital. He was born near Topeka Sept. 27, 1889, and had lived most of his life in Topeka. He was married Feb. 2, 1911, to Lizzie Miller, who preceded him in death in November 1968. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jacob N. Miller and Mrs. David Bontrager, both of LaGrange; a son, Christian of Shipshewana; 12 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Andrew Mast residence by Bishop Clemens Miller; burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

## LANCASTER CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Sept. 17, Amos F. Huyard, 51, New Holland R1, Pa. got his left foot caught in a ground driven corn binder. He was fixing something at the harness when the horses started forward and cut part of his foot nearly off. They sewed it back on and is healing fairly well. He was in General Hospital ten days, is now home, has his foot in cast, and walks on crutches.

Samuel, age 5, son of Alvin and Naomi (Esh) King of Leola R1, Pa. spent some time in constant care at Ephrata Community Hospital. He was taking a load of corn in while filling silo, the wagon hit the corner of a shed throwing him off and running over him. He had his spleen and a kidney removed and had an operation for head injuries.

September 1st, Pre. Levi H. Fisher, Leaman Rd., Lancaster, broke his arm when he fell off of a flat wagon. He was holding a calf on the wagon when a mule claimed the calf. The mule put his front feet on the wagon and pawed at Levi, causing him to fall off the other side. He has his arm in cast and sling.

Jacob Z. Stoltzfus, Bachmantown Rd., Ronks R1, Pa. missed a few days work and made a few trips to the doctor's office after helping with the Chicken Corn Soup Supper at Ronks Fire Hall Sept. 8th. A kettle of hot soup slipped out of someone else's hands and poured on Jake's foot. They quickly turned the cold water hose on it, which helped to cool it off till he got his shoe off.

## ELI S. BONTRAGER, JOHNSON CO., IOWA REPORTER HAD MISHAP

I was in the University Hospital at Iowa City for a serious head surgery on Sept. 1st, and I feel very fortunate that I'm here yet to send my report in. I had a very unusual experience. I fell from a wagon to the ground head first on June 12th. I was hurt a little but not thinking anything serious, for two months helped through harvest and haying as usual. Then about the middle of August different things started showing up, such as losing my balance, being very forgetful, etc. By all appearance, that fall started blood clots, and a pressure was building up by then. So after taking tests and xrays it was decided there's no time to waste, and surgery was done, removing a large amount of waste blood and blood clots from over the brain. But, thank God, I got along good and was in the hospital only eight days. I'm up and around, but not working anything yet.

## ORWELL, OHIO ACCIDENTS

Sept. 25, John Kurtz pinched off his finger at the top knuckle when he was fixing a chain around a cow's neck. He was in the hospital four days where they grafted skin on the end.

Melvin, 6, son of Albert Masts, broke his leg August 29, when a hay elevator collapsed and fell on him. He was in traction four weeks but is now at home in a body cast for at least six weeks. It is a long slanted break between hip and knee.



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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 4.3 inches.

Market Report: Meat prices over the summer we had time after time high records, and now again we have a record which I don't think we had before in American History with beef and pork, an \$18 Cwt. price decline in 6 to 7 weeks time. The price freeze is lifted. Choice Fat Cattle, \$43 to \$48 Cwt.; Feeder, \$40 to \$58 Cwt.; Veal, \$50 to \$90 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$41 to \$45 Cwt., 40 lb. Feeder Pigs, \$32 to \$35; Dairy Cattle of New Holland, \$590 to \$980; Fowl Prices as light, .21 lb., heavy, .37 lb.; Pullets, .50 lb.; Ducks and Geese, .50 lb.; Large Eggs, .68 doz., Med. .63 doz. Milk, \$9.00 Cwt.; Hay, \$40 to \$75 Ton; Straw, \$38 to \$54 Ton; Ear Corn, \$72 Ton, 2.50 Bu.; Wheat, 4.75 Bu.; Barley, 2.00 Bu.; Oats, 1.40 Bu.; Potatoes, 4.50 to 5.00 Cwt.

by Elam S. Berler

Most farmers are picking corn as the crop seemed to mature somewhat earlier this year. Silos were filled in the beginning of the month, although some farmers are still refilling with late corn. Did not take as much acreage as usual as it seems like a good crop. Tobacco cutting came to a halt when farmers started filling silo then finished their tobacco. Some were still cutting the first of October. Farmers are still making third cutting hay, fourth cutting will be short, even with our rains at present. Tomatoes were a very good crop, and price held up late in season, too. Rye, barley and cover crops are sowed and ground is being prepared for wheat. Newly sowed alfalfa fields got off to a late start, but are growing nicely now.

by Ammon F. Fisher

September had a total of 4.7 inches of rain; some cool and very nice fall-like weather. We had two windy rains, which were hard on the poorer kinds of corn. No killing frost yet.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens Nissley

September had nice fall weather with plenty of moisture, nice harvest weather. We had our first frost the 21st, lower places were saved by fog, high places weren't hit too hard, but the Amish Community was hit. We had thunder showers in the evening of the 22nd, warmer again through the rest of the month. Silo filling is mostly completed, very little corn to husk. Geese were heard last evening, going south.

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

September was a very pleasant month, with rain following the late August heat wave; total rain for the month, 4 in.; enough to keep the ground in good condition to prepare for fall seeding. Silo filling was completed by usual time, with most silos filled with less acreage than normal. Field corn is still put on shock here to be put through the shredder later in the fall and winter. Corn crop is heavy. Early harvesting has begun, with market around \$2.50 Bu. Fall seeding well under way, but good oats seed is hard to find. Lowest temperature for the month was 48 degrees on the 10th.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

September 1st was about the warmest day of the year. Here it was over 100 the 1st and 3rd; the 4th it was 96; the 5th, 100. That ended out ten day heat wave, and what a relief! By the 9th it was cool enough in the morning to wear a coat. Had an inch of rain the 14th, and a few sprinkles several other times. It is pretty dry at present. Farmers should have rain to get the land in shape for seeding. Hay making and corn husking is the main field work. This has been a good crop year. "Der Herr hat uns regen von Himmel gegeben und fruchtbare zeiten. Der Herr sei gedankt."

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

Seven and one half inches of rain was recorded here for September, but no frost yet. In this area most of the tobacco was put away the beginning of the month, and about 90% of the silos were filled by the end of the month. Most farmers report it took less acres of corn to fill silo this year than last year. On the 14th we had some heavy rains and enough wind to lodge some of the corn.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

During the month of September we had plenty of rain, with only six days of measurable rainfall. The total for the month was 10 inches, of which 6 inches fell Sept. 14. In Gettysburg only 6.93 inches fell during September. There were five days of 90 degree weather at the beginning of the month. The warmest days of the month were Sept. 1st and 2nd when the high was 96 degrees, low was 44 Sept. 19th. Silos are about filled, there is still some late corn to put in silos. Some of the tractor farmers' wheat and barley fields are nice and green. Others have not sowed any yet. Grass and clover fields look very nice. Wheat is quoted at \$4.50, Shelled Corn, \$2.40.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

During the month of September we had about 7 in. of rainfall. It was warm and humid in the early part of the month, still no frost, but several cool mornings, around 40 degrees. Silos are about all filled except some refilling to be done yet. Still some hay to make when weather permits. Farmers are busy getting seed ground ready between showers. Barley seeding is about all done; very little wheat sowed yet; corn is about ready to pick.

Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

September started in dry but changed to wet about the middle of the month, with a few flash floods. Farmers have to watch their chance to get fall grains in. It is getting late for barley but lots of wheat to sow yet. Silos were filled this month. A good crop of corn to be husked, not much husked yet, but will soon start.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during September was mostly wet and cool. We've had no frost as yet. Total rainfall was 9½ in. here, but the rains were very spotty, some places only 5¼ in. Creeks ran bank full at different times and the winter springs are strong. We've had very few real warm days. Pasture grows lush, also second crop garden vegetables, as peas and lettuce are growing good. Farmers are filling silos. The corn is still nice and green, also fall seeding done slowly between wet spells. Meat prices are dropping some, and local stock keepers say the beef they get now are mostly oversized, around 200 lbs. per quarter instead of the usual 120 lbs. average; which shows that the feeders were holding cattle off the market for a price rise at the same time housewives were buying frozen and hoarding beef.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Trover

According to my measurements, we had 8¼ in. of rain, over four inches on the 14th. The coldest was 37 degrees on the 21st. Some frost in low parts.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had a lot of nice weather in September. Several rather warm days the beginning of the month, also enough rain to keep things nice and green. A lot of silos were filled in September, but still some to fill at the end of the month. It doesn't take as many acres to fill the silos as some years. Most of the corn is mature and should be of good quality. Rootworms are a problem in a few fields this year. They eat the root off, leaving the corn rather helpless when a little wind comes along. It seems there is more wheat being sown than in the last several years. Wheat is sown mostly in September in this section. We have had no killing frost yet, but several mornings some in low places along the streams. The trees were changing colors at the end of the month.

Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

September was a very nice month, started out foggy and rainy, had four foggy mornings. Lowest temperature 42, no frost yet. Katy - birds are still heard. 4.8 in. of rainfall. Many very nice days that made a person think of October's bright blue weather. Yards and pastures are still beautifully green. Silo filling is nearly over; a few farmers have started husking corn. Most farmers are finished sowing wheat. We had equinox storms Sat. night, Sept. 15, much thunder and lightning, hard rain and some hail.

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for September had been rather on the dry side the first two weeks, but we had about 4.8 inches in the last part. Sept. has been more on the cool side with quite a few damp and cloudy days. Silo filling is in swing and corn seems to be a good crop. Early Corn will soon be ready to husk. Leaves are starting to color and some trees are losing them already. Canning is mostly done except late apples and pears and a few tomatoes yet. Apple crop is scarce through here. Lots of cold and flu in the area.

Oakland, Md., by Mrs. Arlee Mersberger

September was beautiful fall-like weather. Leaves are changing colors slightly, but no killing frost yet. Normal rainfall.

The annual Harvest Sale is to be held at the Swan Meadow School in the evening of October 11.

Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

Report for August : August was very warm and dry, with only a few light showers. It was ideal weather for ripening corn and making second cutting hay. Gardens seemed to yield vegetables beyond expectations. It sure helped, with prices being way out of reach in grocery stores.

Report for Sept. : The first part of September was very warm and dry. The second half of the month was cooler and some heavy rains. The fall crops are looking good since the rains. Corn looks to be a good crop. No frost in our area to date.

Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Trover

September was rather dry with only about 2 in. of rain. It was nice to fill silo, which is about done except some refilling. We had a light frost on the 20th, mostly in the low places, didn't do much damage. Corn is ripening and is a good crop. Meat and egg prices are coming down.

Crawford County, Pa., by Menno E. Fisher

September was very nice and sunny except for the last week we had some cloudy and rainy weather. We had a light frost on the morning of the 21st. Some corn had enough to turn the leaves brown, but other fields close by had hardly any damage due to fog in some spots. Farmers are filling silo, corn is a fair crop considering how late it was planted. Garden things are about over for this year. Watermelons and muskmelons were a good crop, two items which don't always mature here. Beef prices have dropped fast and feed prices are slowly dropping. Milk prices going up, seems to be in the dairy farmer's favor for a change.

Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

September has been a nice month. A good amount of moisture, but still field work continued. Silos are filled. We had one killing frost. Early planted corn will be very good for husking. Vegetables have been real plentiful, and cellars are well filled.



**CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued**

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

Men are busy filling silo, and some corn is ready to husk. We had a hard shower of rain Sept. 22nd, and some frost at 19th, but no damage.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The weather for September was rather dry and humid, with not quite two inches of rain. We didn't have any rain to speak of till the last week of the month. Some corn is being husked for grinding, but is still not quite dry enough for cribs. Silo filling is mostly finished. Some wheat has been sown.

Defiance County, Ohio, by David Rober

Since this is the first crop and weather report for Defiance County I will tell of our summer. We had a very wet spring, with many crops planted later than ever before, some the first week in July. Then August turned dry. The first part of September was dry, now we're having nice rains, which is just what was needed to sow wheat. Farmers are getting their wheat sowed. Crops look real good considering how late they were planted. Gardens were later than usual, but are producing fairly well. Peaches sold for \$7.98 a bu. Eggs sell for 75c to 1.00 a doz.

Orwell, Ohio, by Mrs. Albert J. Most

September was a cool month with a couple of light frosts. Temperature was in the thirties about half the mornings this month. It seems like fall leaves are starting to change color. We had one week of rainy weather, but filled silo in between showers. Most folks are done, or nearly done, filling silo. Corn has turned out good for as late as some was planted, is better than it was last year. Most canning is done except for some apples, pears, and pumpkins. Squash are plentiful this year. Some folks still have tomatoes and late sweet corn to eat.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin N. Gingerich

We had over 2 in. of rain for September. Have had frost four nights since the 20th of September. Farmers are still filling silo, plowing, and doing the usual fall work. Corn is a fair crop, and most of it is far enough matured that it will get ready for cribbing. Beef and pork prices have dropped somewhat in the last few weeks.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

September was a very nice warm month except a few nights it was pretty chilly, although no frost, also very little rain. Some folks started to pick corn, third cutting alfalfa hay was made, and most of the wheat is sowed.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

September was dry, a few warm humid days, but mostly nice fall-like days, had a few scattered showers. Tomatoes were plentiful in this area. Some plowing is being done for rye and wheat. New alfalfa seedings are not coming, because of lack of moisture. Early soybeans are being harvested and seem to be a good crop, as high as 55 bu. per acre.

Danville, Ohio, by Mrs. Tobe Hostettler

We had a nice September. Recently we had quite a bit of rain after a slight dry spell. First light frost, October 6th. Most of the silos are filled. The leaves are starting to change color.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

This was a very nice September with lots of sunshine and not much wind, hardly enough wind to keep the windmill running for our water supply. Around the 20th we had a light frost, in the low lands, but then it got real warm again. It frosted some late planted corn, but it seems we will have a good corn crop, and other crops are good too. There seems to be a lot of old corn for sale around here, selling for from \$45 to \$60 a ton. There are a lot of good vegetables coming from the black swamps as yet.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had very little rain in September, just sprinkles until the last few days we had soaking rains. Silos are being filled, with ensilage left over. We did get ripe corn, except what was planted late was hit by the frost last week.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather was warm the first part of this month, rather on the dry side, had a good rain around the middle of the month. It cooled off quite a lot, then turned warmer and was very dry, had a good soaking rain Sept. 28th. People are sowing wheat, cooking cane molasses, and cutting corn. No killing frost yet.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Mostly on the dry side through September, had 1½ inches of rain the 23rd. Corn is nearly ready to husk by hand, and is a bumper crop. Farmers are done cutting corn and tilling silo. Wheat is nearly all in. No frost yet. Plenty of vegetables from the gardens. Markets seem to be straightening out to supply and demand.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

First week in September was extremely warm, followed by a period of very cool weather. We had a very light frost in low places the 10th. A lot of wheat has been sown. Corn is drying out well and looks like a good crop. The northeast part of the county had some hail in spots lately, but corn is well matured and the hail didn't cause too much damage.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

For the month of September we had mostly warm and dry weather, a few cool nights but no killing frost, a few good showers the latter part of the month. Pastures are greening up again. A few silos to fill yet. Some wheat sowed but quite a bit to sow yet. Some corn cut and appears to be a good crop.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

September was on the dry side, especially the last half of the month, had a good rain on the 29th. It rained very spotty, on Sept. 5 we had .8 in., a mile west of us had .2 in., and a mile east of us had 2.8 inches. Early corn is about ready to husk, and is a good crop in our area. More wheat is being sown this fall, about half of it is sowed. Seed wheat was scarce and high, some had low germination.



### Centreville, Mich., by Tobe LeRoy Yoder

The first week of September was very warm and humid and dry. The week of the 9th we had rain and cooled down to 48°. The week of the 16th was warmer and rainy, also nice a few days. The men had nice weather to fill silos.

### Camden, Mich., by Levi R. Grober

The month of September was mostly nice, sunny weather with 2/10 inch of rain on the 15th, and 1 inch on the 29th. Sept. has been unusually dry. The wheat has not come up yet due to the dry weather. Silos have been filled. Most corn fields are brown and some ready to harvest. My neighbor had a picker-sheller going this morning. We had a very light frost in the low lands around the 15th.

### Bronson, Mich., by O. A. Grober

The month of September has brought us some hot and dry weather. Around the middle of the month it was quite cool. We've had many days with appearances for rain, but usually ended up with a few sprinkles. Our rainfall for the month was 3/4 in., and that mostly fell within the last few days. No killing frost yet. Much stealing has been going on this month in the area, all the way from small tools to driving into a field of cattle with car or pick-up and slaughtering cattle. So far the police have not come up with one intruder arrested. Quite a lot of beans were harvested the last week. A frost would be very beneficial in hastening the corn crop. Our group is growing --- four more families have bought farms here within the last few months.

### LaGrange County, Ind., by Anna Eash

We had continued warm weather in September, much 80 and some 90 degree weather, clear skies. It was cooler on Sunday the 8th and a shower of rain, and it warmed up again. Another shower on the 11th then the next few mornings were chilly --- in the 40's and 50's, but warmed up during the day. Weatherwise it was pleasant and nice, also a few thundershowers. Silo filling is mostly done, some clover to hull yet. Corn looks nice. Women are cleaning gardens, gathering seeds, canning tomatoes, etc.

### Elkhart County, Ind., by Sam K. Stoltzfus

Fall weather is here, warm and dry. Corn is turning colors fast. September 9th brought us 1/2 inch rain, second week was very cool at nights, but warmed up during the day. An all day rain on the 17th relieved the dry spell. Very cool at nights, that the stoves had to be lighted. On the 24th a shower which warmed it up quite a bit. Soybeans are being harvested. Approximate rainfall for Sept. is 1 1/2 in.

### Milroy, Ind., by John R. Yutzey

Nice warm fall weather. No measureable rainfall all through September, too dry to plow. Corn and beans look like a bumper crop; probably half of beans harvested already. Yields from 35 to 50 bu. an acre. Harvest of corn is starting. Some wheat is being sowed, but won't sprout without rain. We had a high of 93 degrees for September, which equals our warmest day of summer.

### Nappanee, Ind., by John H. Giesbrecht

The weather through this area in August was mainly on the warm side. It did cool off over the 21st and 22nd, but was very warm again after that. There were quite a few days over 90 degrees. We had 1 and 2-10 inches of rain at Nappanee here, although it varied some a bit through the area. Corn looks to be a real good crop so far. Much of it is already far enough along that it could have a frost; however, there is some that isn't that far along. Some farmers are filling their silos. Soybeans look to be a good crop. Oats ground that is to be put to wheat is all plowed and worked ready to sow, but I think there will be quite a bit of soybean ground put to wheat after the beans are harvested.

The month of September brought us only .3 inch of rain until the last two days, when we got 1.3 inches more. The ground had become very dry, quite a bit of wheat had been sown but it couldn't sprout till this last rain. The first part of the month was very warm, the highest temperature was 91°. It turned cooler around the middle of the month, going down to 41°, which was the lowest for the month. The last half of the month was warmer. There was a light frost the morning of the 14th, but no damage was reported. About half of the soybeans have been harvested so far, the quality seems good, but those of the later plantings seem to be a little small, and are not yielding quite as much as the earlier planted beans, probably because of dry weather. Corn appears to be a good crop, a small amount has been picked.

### By Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

Weather at Nappanee has been warm and dry during most of September. We did enjoy a good soaker on the 29th; the parched lawns drank in every drop! However, farmers took advantage of the lovely fall days. Silos are filled and some have started combining soybeans. The gardens which yielded so bountifully this summer are almost empty. Just late tomatoes, carrots and some sweet potatoes are left to harvest. Praise Him for our full basement shelves.

### Kokomo, Ind., by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

It was fairly dry through most of September, although more moisture the latter part. Also quite a bit of chilly weather with temperature at 45 degrees a few mornings, mostly during mid-month. A few trees have changed to beautiful fall colors and have lost a bunch of their leaves. Soybeans are being harvested, silos filled, and some corn picked. Some corn is still affected by blight. Garden produce was plentiful again, but glass cans are hard to get, if you don't have enough. I guess people fear a food shortage and are canning.

### Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for August and September was dry. It is still dry after having 1.5 in. rain on the 29th. The farmers are busy shelling corn and plowing for wheat, also combining some early beans. Corn is yielding from 100 to 140 bu. per acre; beans, 45 to 50 bu. per acre. Corn, \$2.25; Beans, \$6.00.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

September was a dry and warm month. It will go down in history as one of the driest Septembers on record in Berne. The .85 inch of rain makes it the fifth driest September in Berne records. This is in contrast to 8.34 in. of rain in Sept. 1972. The dry spell extends back to August 25, making the average for the past 36 days only .02 inch per day. Figures for the month are: High, 95 on the 2nd; Low, 42 on the 19th; Rainfall, .85 inch; There were 15 clear days, 13 partly cloudy, 4 rainy, and 2 cloudy days, and one thunderstorm occurred.

Benton County, Tenn., by Mrs. Joseph Coblentz

September finds sorghum molasses cooking getting under way. Some of the cane has lots of juice where they didn't have so much rain this summer and makes a lot of molasses. Others have plenty of juice but not so much molasses. As for us, we don't get as much juice but still seems to be sweet. Not as good this year so far, but hope we are getting into better cane from now on. Some corn is ready to pick and some is already being picked. Corn crop looks very promising if fall rains don't hinder from getting into the fields to get it. Soybean crop seems behind due to late plantings. Hay was plentiful this year. Farmer's milk prices have gone up a little, but feed is still high, too, although they have come down some. Temperatures have moderated somewhat, but still have days when it is in the lower 80's. Coldest so far was 46 degrees one morning. Grass and pastures still green and look good; trees have not changed their color yet.

Arthur, Ill., by Menno A. Diener

The first seven days were warm, but cooled off nice during the night. A few mornings the temperature reached 58. On the 8th in the P. M. and night we had 1 1/8 in. of nice steady rainfall. We had cool from then on several mornings. The temperature was down to 44. We had a few nice showers. Lots of beans have been harvested, yields from 17 to 40 bu. Corn is drying off very fast, some has been harvested. The writer is getting so he can walk a few steps with his canes.

Webster County, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

We finally got rain again over Labor Day. Has been very good growing weather this last week. The farmers like to put out their fescue grass first part of September. Wheat had time for another six weeks though there was quite a bit put out already. Temperatures ranged from low fifties at night to a high of from 75 to 80 degrees in daytime. Hogs are off quite a bit from their recent high spots, selling for from \$40 to \$42. Beef calves are off quite a bit more having dropped \$32 in about two days time and predicted to go lower yet. Milk has been going up steadily, is at \$5.80 for 4% Grade C, in cans. It sounds as though the state would like to shut off all can milk, but guess it's been talked before, and time will tell what happens.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

August was quite warm and dry from only 2 in. rain, but had about 10 inches rain through September. Clover is well filled this year and quite a bit has been mowed for seed, but have been unable to get it because of the rains. Fall plowing has started but is too wet again at present.

Pike County, Mo., by George Yoder

August had many warm days and enough moisture the first half of the month, but the last half it was on the dry side, too dry to plow. Around Sept. 1 it rained again and have had enough moisture since to work the ground and sow wheat. Silos are filled. Corn and beans are a good crop. Quite a bit of building and repair work going on, which they want to do before cold weather sets in.

Audrain County, Mo., by Samuel D. Beachey

September had many cloudy and rainy days, but no heavy rains until the 30th when we had 1 1/2 in. a total of 6 to 7 inches for the month. Silo filling is possibly half finished. Still a lot of green corn and beans in fields. Late planting is going to mean late harvest. Milk prices in January were \$4.40 for 3.8 test and now \$5.35. Hauling charges have gone from 45¢ to 55¢.

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward Mast

The first two weeks were quite dry but cooler. The last week we had over 6 in. of rain at some places 10 in. or more. Most of it coming in about 48 hours caused high waters about everywhere. Several dikes broke, one in the Yoder area. Police had to help rescue some cattle in that area. It was done by means of lassoing the cattle and pulling them out with a boat. Very little wheat has been planted, and due to the fertilizer shortage and dry weather earlier a lot of the ground isn't even ready to plant once it dries off. Fourth cutting hay is about ready to cut.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

The month of September had around 8 in. rain. On Sept. 21 an electrical storm with heavy thunder, wind and hail which did some damage at places. Silos are about all filled. Fall plowing is underway. Corn a good crop and ready for a good frost. We had a light frost on Sept. 18, no damage.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather has been ideal most of September so far and August. We're having plenty of rain again the last while. We had over 3 in. the middle of Sept. and now had over 2 in. again last night, the 25th. Silo filling is being done when weather permits. Most of the corn and beans look good after the much rainfall in early summer let up a little. Pastures have been good all summer, so cattle have been thriving good.

New Glarus, Wisc., by Mrs. Jonas Hershberger

Much cool and cloudy weather, plenty of rain. No frost yet. Silo filling has begun, Sept. 29.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

September had fair fall weather with frequent rains. Silos are nearly filled. Canning is coming to an end. The trees are turning into beautiful colors, very beautiful scenery in Wisconsin in the fall. We had two light frosts in the middle of the month, but not much damage.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gin

After the summer we had the last of August and the first few days in September, the weather turned much cooler. Around the 10th we had a light frost in low spots, then on the 17th and 20th we had a killing frost. Most garden things were frozen, but the corn was ripe enough that it didn't hurt. Warmer weather and a welcome rain followed, but it is still quite dry. We finished filling silos the 26th.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, by Wm. D. Kramer

September has been quite dry, very warm the first part, had some showers since. Frost on the 22nd with not much damage to gardens. Eli Sheiters had sale the 21st. The highest cow brought some \$700. They intend to move to Ohio on Oct. 9th.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

September has been very warm and dry. We had about 1/2 inch of rain around the middle of the month. During the second week there were several light frosts, followed by one on Sept. 14 heavy enough to kill the corn and tomatoes, and most garden stuff. Silo filling was done in record time and a number of farmers are husking corn during the last week of September. The corn crop looks quite promising. Livestock and feed prices have eased up a bit.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

The humid warmth of August continued a few days into September, but cleared and cooled off considerably on the 6th. We had mostly cool weather the next few weeks, until this last week it was warmer again. Flies, etc. are more pesty again. We had a light frost the 10th and again the 17th, but these didn't seem to affect many places. On the 21st the temperature was down to 28 degrees and most everything uncovered was stiff. Most of the silos are filled. Plowing will soon start.

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Martha M. Miller

September started in with very warm weather. We had a little rain on the 6th, but no rain otherwise for almost three weeks. It was also very dry and dusty. We had some rain on the 16th and has been cool since. Also had some rain since. It is some warmer this last week now but is hazy. We had a killing frost on the 15th, which put the garden things out of the list. Corn is all in and some are plowing already. Wood is being cut, between other fall work.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

We had a nice September with some rain. Men are busy filling their silos with corn. It is an average crop this year.

Chesley, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

This area had two killing frosts on Sept. 16th and 21st. We also had approximately 1 inch of rain on the 20th, which broke our dry spell and heat wave. Farmers are plowing since the rain. We had unusual warm for about 4 weeks, temperature as high as 90° which was very good for melons. This area had more melons this year than the other five years combined since we live in Canada. At our place, muskmelons were on the table 2 or 3 times a day. Watermelons were also plentiful. We only had the 'midgets', but picked about 300 in all. Silos are full, with corn a heavy crop and almost ready to crib, what didn't go in silos. Very few apples in our district. Prices are still climbing. Flour is almost \$20. per cwt. Beef on the hoof has dropped a couple dollars.

## BAPTISMS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

East Upper Millcreek District

September 23, by Bishop David K. Blank

Amos, son of Samuel and Sara (Diener) Lapp  
Amos, son of Amos K. and Mary (Fisher) Lapp  
John, son of Elam K. and Malinda (Esh) Lapp  
Daniel, son of Christ K. and Barbara (Fisher) King  
Eli, son of Daniel and Annie (Stoltzfus) King  
Levi, son of Jacob E. and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smucker  
Sara, dau. of Amos and Mary (Fisher) Lapp  
Annie, dau. of Elam and Malinda (Esh) King  
Katie, dau. of David and Leah (Stoltzfus) Lantz

North Groffdale District

September 16, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus

David, son of Eli K. and Annie (Lapp) Beiler  
Stephen, son of Noah S. and Mary (Riehl) Zook  
Jesse, son of Elam F. and Sarah (Bawell) Huyard  
Moses, son of Isaac F. and Lydia (Fisher) Huyard  
John, son of Amos F. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
Stephen, son of Stephen U. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook  
John, son of Noah S. and Mary (Riehl) Zook  
Esther, dau. of Amos F. and Lavina (Fisher) Huyard  
Emma, dau. of Amos F. and Lavina (Fisher) Huyard  
Annie, dau. of Joel F. and Susie (Petersheim) King  
Ruth, dau. of Eli K. and Annie (Lapp) Beiler  
Rebecca, dau. of Stephen U. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook  
Esther, dau. of John J. and Fannie (Beiler) Fisher  
Katie, dau. of Joel F. and Susie (Petersheim) King  
Mary, dau. of Amos F. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
Edna, dau. of John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp

Conestoga District

September 23, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler

Jacob, son of Isaac and Mattie (King) Zook  
Eli, son of David and Katie (Stoltzfus) Smucker  
Jacob, son of Elmer and Fannie (Lapp) Smucker  
Rachel, dau. of John and Sadie (Esh) Zook  
Mary, dau. of Amos M. and Leah (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
Sarah, dau. of Isaac and Mattie (King) Zook  
Lizzie, dau. of Samuel M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus)

Stoltzfus

Naomi, dau. of Katie (Stoltzfus) and the late Daniel King  
Rachel, dau. of Christ B. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus)

Stoltzfus



# BAPTISMS, Continued Lancaster Co. Pa., Continued

## North Honey Brook District

September 23, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman

Emanuel, son of David L. and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
John, son of Lizzie (Esh) and the late Jacob King  
John, son of Daniel L. and Lydia (King) Stoltzfus  
David, son of David L. and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Fannie, dau. of Gideon L. and Naomi (Lapp) Stoltzfus

## South Honey Brook District

September 16, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman

John, son of Elam P. and Sadie (King) Kauffman  
Andy, son of Levi A. and Katie (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Christ, son of Jesse L. and Lavina (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Annie, dau. of Levi P. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman  
Susie, dau. of John E. and Miriam (Stoltzfus) King  
Katie, dau. of Emanuel and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Fannie, dau. of Amos L. and Ada (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Mamie, dau. of Daniel P. and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Kauffman  
Amanda, dau. of Stephen and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Ruth, dau. of Benueel S. and Katie (Stoltzfus) King  
Malinda, dau. of Christ and Mary (King) Stoltzfus

## North Lower Pequea District - Caines

September 16, by Bishop John F. Glick

Melvin, son of Elmer and Arie (Esh) Lapp  
Elam, son of John and Sylvia (Zook) Stoltzfus  
Henry, son of Lloyd and Mattie (King) Beiler  
Amos, son of Norman and Fannie (King) Beiler  
Reuben, son of John K. and Betty (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Hannah, dau. of Daniel and Miriam (King) Stoltzfus  
Nancy, dau. of Elam and Mary (Dienner) Beiler  
Fannie, dau. of Aaron and Mary (Kauffman) Ebersol  
Orpha, dau. of Isaac and Barbara (Glick) Dienner  
Ruth, dau. of David and Lydia (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Fannie, dau. of Katie (Beiler) and the late Levi Stoltzfus  
Naomi, dau. of Benueel and Annie (Esh) Blank  
Lydia, dau. of Norman and Fannie (King) Beiler

## Lower Pequea District - Limeville

September 16, by Bishop Samuel F. Stoltzfus

Jesse, son of Levi and Sadie (Esh) King  
Miriam, dau. of Levi Zook and the late Mary (Beiler)  
Fannie, dau. of Samuel K. & Susie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Sara, dau. of Daniel and Susie (Smucker) Dienner  
Elizabeth, dau. of Samuel K. & Susie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus

## Southwest Lower Pequea District - Gap

September 16, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher

Christianne, dau. of Ben and Sara (Dienner) Beiler  
Sara, dau. of John K. and Nancy (Dienner) Stoltzfus

## Southwest Lower Pequea District - Kinzers

September 23, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher

Leroy, son of Elam and Florence (Byler) Fisher  
John, son of Levi E. and Mary (King) Fisher  
Rebecca, dau. of Samuel and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Barbara, dau. of Christ and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus

## Lower Pequea District - Cattail

September 16, by Bishop Jonathan F. King

Elmer, son of Eli and Mary (Beiler) Beiler  
Christian, son of John and Emma (Glick) Zook  
Benueel, son of Aaron and Emma (King) King  
Mary, dau. of Joseph and Sadie (Smucker) Beiler

## Northeast Lower Millcreek District

September 16, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp

Jacob, son of Daniel B. and Mary (Fisher) Smucker  
David, son of Daniel B. and Mary (Fisher) Smucker  
Menno, son of Christ and Barbara (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Katie, dau. of Christ and Barbara (Beiler) Stoltzfus  
Hannah, dau. of Gideon and Sallie (Zook) Beiler  
Annie, dau. of Daniel B. and Mary (Fisher) Smucker

## Southeast Lower Millcreek District

September 23, by Bishop Amos E. King

Kore, son of Samuel P. and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
David, son of John E. and Malinda (King) Lapp  
Elmer, son of Isaac and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Lapp  
Melvin, son of the late Christ and Emma (Lapp) Petersheim  
Daniel, son of Alvin K. and Mary (Beiler) Fisher  
Katie Mae, dau. of Christ S. and Salina (King) Stoltzfus  
Ruth, dau. of Melvin and Katie (Stoltzfus) Beiler  
Rachel, dau. of Jonathan and Lizzie (Esh) Kauffman  
Fannie, dau. of Samuel P. and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus

## West Millcreek District

September 16, by Bishop Enos M. Beiler

Lloyd, son of John S. and Annie (Lapp) Miller  
Amos, son of Gideon B. and Annie (Lapp) Stoltzfus  
Annie, dau. of David and Leah (Beiler) Ebersole  
Rebecca, dau. of Eli P. and Arie (Beiler) Miller  
Emma, dau. of John P. and Sara (King) Esh  
Anna, dau. of Henry K. and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Blank  
Sarah, dau. of Daniel and Mima (Zook) King

## North Upper Middle Pequea District

September 16, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler

Jonas, son of Jacob and Leah (Stoltzfus) Riehl  
Amos, son of Elmer and Fannie (King) Petersheim  
Christ, son of Malinda (Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim

Lizzie, dau. of Elmer and Fannie (King) Petersheim  
Rachel, dau. of Jonas and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Ruth Ann, dau. of Mike and Katie (King) Smoker  
Anna, dau. of Jonas L. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
Mary, dau. of Elmer and Fannie (King) Petersheim  
Katie, dau. of Aaron and Malinda (King) Stoltzfus

## Middle Pequea District - East Intercourse

September 16, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus

John, son of John and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman  
Sadie, dau. of Abram and Salome (Stoltzfus) Beiler  
Rebecca, dau. of Benueel and Lydia (King) Stoltzfus  
Lydia, dau. of John and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman  
Rachel, dau. of Samuel and Rebecca (Smucker) Esh  
Katie, dau. of Abram and Salome (Stoltzfus) Beiler  
Katie, dau. of Samuel and Naomi (Beiler) Stoltzfus

## Middle Pequea District - Vintage

September 23, by Bishop Amos G. Esh

Jonathan, son of Amos C. and Rachel (Miller) Fisher  
Daniel, son of Henry A. and Rebecca (Lapp) Esh  
Samuel, son of LeRoy S. and Ruth (Huyard) Esh  
Elam, son of Amos G. and Katie (Huyard) Esh  
Annie, dau. of Eli Z. and Emma (Esh) King  
Savilla, dau. of Benjamin and Susie (King) Fisher

## Upper Pequea District - South Greenland

September 23, by Bishop John M. Beiler

Abner, son of Jacob and Lizzie (Fisher) Riehl  
Phares, son of Amos and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King

John, son of Abraham and Sarah (Beiler) King  
 David, son of Joseph and Lydia (Zook) King  
 Sadie, dau. of Israel and Susie (King) Smoker  
 Esther, dau. of Abraham and Sarah (Beiler) King  
 Malinda, dau. of Jacob and Lizzie (Fisher) Riehl  
 Mary, dau. of Aaron and Mary (Stoltzfus) King

#### New Providence District

September 16, by Bishop Christian M. Fisher  
 Annie, dau. of Levi and Lizzie (Beiler) Zook  
 Martha, dau. of Jacob K. and Katie (Beiler) Beiler  
 Fannie, dau. of David and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos

#### Mt. Pleasant District

September 23, by Bishop Joel K. Zook  
 Daniel, son of Daniel E. and Barbara (King) Smucker  
 Stevie, son of Jacob E. and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus  
 John, son of Samuel P. and Sarah (King) Stoltzfus  
 David, son of Daniel E. and Barbara (King) Smucker  
 Samuel, son of Levi and Rachel (Miller) Fisher  
 Katie, dau. of Sadie (Esh) and the late Aaron K. Fisher  
 Sarah, dau. of Levi B. and Sarah (Fisher) Stoltzfus  
 Sadie Mae, dau. of Sadie (Esh) and the late Aaron Fisher

#### West Georgetown District

Moses, son of Abner and Lizzie (Petersheim) Fisher  
 John, son of Jonas K. and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Esh  
 Christ, son of John K. and Emma (Stoltzfus) King  
 Elizabeth, dau. of Abner and Lizzie (Petersheim) Fisher  
 Susie, dau. of Jonas K. and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Esh  
 Mary, dau. of Aaron K. and Katie (Stoltzfus) King  
 Annie, dau. of John K. and Emma (Stoltzfus) King  
 Susie, dau. of Henry B. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Zook

#### Greentree District

September 16, by Bishop John S. Glick  
 John, son of Amos S. and Katie (King) Esh  
 Annie, dau. of Henry and Katie (King) King

#### East Nine Points District

Aaron, son of Samuel and Sarah (Kauffman) Lapp  
 Ephraim, son of Samuel L. and Fannie (Blank) Stoltzfus  
 Jacob, son of Eli and Fannie (Blank) Esh  
 John, son of Elmer and Annie (Kauffman) Fisher  
 Amos, son of John and Barbara (Glick) Blank  
 Hannah, dau. of John and Emma (Stoltzfus) Kauffman  
 Hannah, dau. of Samuel M. and Sarah (Glick) Stoltzfus  
 Rachel, dau. of Ben and Barbara (Esh) Kauffman  
 Rebecca, dau. of Samuel L. and Fannie (Blank) Stoltzfus  
 Katie, dau. of Elmer and Annie (Kauffman) Fisher  
 Fannie, dau. of Samuel M. and Sarah (Glick) Stoltzfus

#### North Kirkwood District

September 16, by Bishop David Riehl  
 Samuel, son of Samuel and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
 Aquilla, son of Samuel and Mary (Riehl) Stoltzfus  
 Abram, son of Abram and the late Barbara Stoltzfus  
 Alvin, son of Levi and Rachel (Esh) Beiler  
 Stephen, son of John and Annie (King) Stoltzfus  
 Elizabeth, dau. of John and Katie (Riehl) Lapp  
 Fannie, dau. of Stephen and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
 Annie, dau. of John and Annie (King) Stoltzfus  
 Arie, dau. of David and Sara (Stoltzfus) Riehl  
 Arie, dau. of Jonas and Fannie (Fisher) Stoltzfus  
 Arie, dau. of Stephen and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
 Rebecca, dau. of John and Katie (Riehl) Lapp  
 Naomi, dau. of Jonas and Fannie (Fisher) Stoltzfus

#### Union District

September 23, by Bishop David Riehl  
 Eli, son of John K. and Hannah (King) Esh  
 Leroy, son of John and Fannie (Esh) King  
 Christian, son of John B. and Susan (Fisher) Stoltzfus  
 Rebecca, dau. of Jacob and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus  
 Emma, dau. of Joshua and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Beiler  
 Susie, dau. of John and Fannie (Esh) King  
 Barbara, dau. of Jonas and Lydia (Lapp) Fisher  
 Mary, dau. of John and Susan (Fisher) Stoltzfus  
 Priscilla, dau. of Israel and Savilla (Fisher) Stoltzfus

#### St. Mary's County, Maryland

##### Southwest District

September 2, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus  
 Mose, son of Mose and Mary Hostetler  
 John, son of Chris Z. and Susie Byler  
 Amos, son of Samuel S. and Lydia Stoltzfus  
 David, son of Benj. and Lydia Hostetler  
 Isaac, son of Isaac and Sarah Fisher  
 Samuel, son of Dan and Fannie Byler  
 Barbara, dau. of Andrew and Sarah Hertzler  
 Barbara, dau. of Mose and Mary Hostetler  
 Katie, dau. of Uria and Mary Yoder

##### East and Northwest District

September 23, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus  
 Simeon, son of Daniel and Sarah Zook  
 Isaac, son of Isaac and Rebecca Hertzler  
 Bennie, son of Samuel J. and Emma Stoltzfus  
 Benue, son of Benue and Fannie Stoltzfus  
 Gertrude, dau. of Chris and Lydia Swarey  
 Katie, dau. of Aaron and Naomi Hertzler

#### Adams County, Pennsylvania

September 23, at the Eli S. Byler home  
 by Bishop Enos Beiler from Lancaster Co., Pa.  
 Israel Z., son of Moses and Elizabeth Stoltzfus  
 John B., son of Stephen and Edith Fisher  
 Amos L., son of Jonathan and Lydia Stoltzfus  
 Daniel E., son of Eli and Emma Byler  
 Arthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Snyder  
 Mary B., dau. of Pre. Gideon and Sadie Stoltzfus  
 Mary F., dau. of Pre. Isaac and Lavina Stoltzfus  
 Barbara L., dau. of Moses and Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus  
 Katie F., dau. of Jonas and Mary Yoder

#### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

##### Niverton District

September 9, by Bishop Bennie A. Yoder  
 Roy, son of Sam M. and Dora Peachey  
 Daniel, son of Amelia and the late Floyd Brenneman  
 Bennie, son of Pre. Noah B. and Annie Fisher  
 Elizabeth, dau. of Elmer S. and Lucy Yoder

##### Summit Mills District, September 16

by Bishop Enos Swartzentruber of Kalona, Iowa  
 Elmer, son of Katie and the late Paul Beachy  
 Lewis A., son of Amos S. and Annie Zook  
 Menno J., son of Joe A. and Katie Yoder  
 Jonas A., son of Andy and Lavina Zook  
 Nancy, dau. of Bishop Albert E. and Cora Brenneman  
 Miriam H., dau. of Henry and Jemima Kinsinger





## John C. Yoder District

Harvey, son of Paul A. Rabers, Baltic R1  
 Mose, son of Amos M. Yoders, Millersburg R3  
 Malinda, dau. of Crist G. Yoders, Millersburg R3  
 Esther, dau. of Mrs. Val A. Hershberger, Millersburg R3  
 Emma, dau. of Paul A. Rabers, Baltic R1  
 Mary, dau. of Mrs. John G. Yoder, Millersburg R3

## David E. Yoder District

by Bishop David Yutzy of Topeka, Indiana  
 David, son of Andy E. Yoders, Millersburg R4  
 Jonas, son of Levi E. Millers, Millersburg R4  
 Aaron, son of Nathaniel Millers of Topeka, Indiana  
 Alvin, son of Eli E. Masts, Berlin  
 Atlee, son of Nathan D. Millers, Millersburg R4  
 Katie, dau. of David M. Yoders, Millersburg R4

## Joe Hershberger District

Merle, son of David D. Millers  
 Saloma, dau. of Abe A. Raber  
 Lizzie, dau. of Andy E. Rabers  
 Edna, dau. of Noah A. Rabers  
 Verna, dau. of Noah A. Rabers  
 Susie, dau. of Pre. Ervin Schlabachs

## Holmesville North District at Aden J. Keim home

September 2, by Bishop Andy J. Mast

Eli, son of Gideon E. and Clara (Mullet) Miller  
 Elizabeth, dau. of Elmer M. and Katie (Schlabach) Troyer

Mary, dau. of Eli H. and Elizabeth (Miller) Weaver  
 Katie, dau. of Melvin B. and Mary (Miller) Miller

## Holmesville South District at Eli D. Miller home

by Bishop Joe J. Yoder, September 9

John, son of Eli D. and Mattie (Weaver) Miller  
 Edwin, son of Mrs. John A. Miller  
 Amanda, dau. of Mrs. John A. Miller  
 Mary Ann, dau. of Eli J. and Ida (Chupp) Nisley  
 Mary, dau. of Abe D. and Lizzie (Miller) Schlabach  
 Freda, dau. of John M. and Ada (Kline) Miller

## Berlin Northeast and Berlin East Districts

September 2, by Bishop Albert B. Mast

Wayne, son of Roy E. and Amanda Wengerd  
 Sam, son of Em. E. and Mary Hershberger  
 Miriam, dau. of Clarence A. and Lizzie Miller  
 Fannie, dau. of Levi D. and Amanda Troyer  
 Arlene, dau. of Roman A. and Sarah Raber  
 Esther, dau. of Roy E. and Amanda Wengerd  
 Mary, dau. of Alvin D. and Susan Kline  
 Marie, dau. of Aden A. and Lydiann Yoder

## Bunker Hill North District

September 2, by Bishop Dan E. Schlabach

Nelson, son of Eli D. and Sarah Yoder  
 David, son of Dan E. and Fannie Schlabach  
 Daniel, son of Joe H. and Anna Bowman  
 Roy, son of Dan M. and Lizzie Miller  
 Sara, dau. of Dan E. and Fannie Schlabach  
 Mary, dau. of Joe D. and Ella Kaufman  
 Barbara Ann, dau. of Levi R. and Clara Coblentz  
 Barr's Mills, by Noah J. Coblentz  
 Mervin, son of Albert E. and Mary (Raber) Shrock  
 David, son of Levi H. and Anna Troyer  
 Philip, son of Ben E. and Dena (Miller) Eicher  
 Lydiann, dau. of Ben H. and Anna (Yoder) Miller

Betty, dau. of Ivan L. and Mattie (Miller) Hochstetler  
 Rachel, dau. of Ben E. and Dena (Miller) Eicher  
 by Jonas N. Borntrager

Jonas, son of Jonas N. and Louella (Yoder) Borntrager  
 Raymond, son of Owen J. and Esther (Yoder) Miller  
 Albert, son of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy  
 Laura, dau. of Owen J. and Esther (Yoder) Miller  
 Ella, dau. of Abe A. and Lovina Miller  
 Sarah, dau. of Menno A. and Mattie (Hershberger) Erb  
 Judy, dau. of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy

## Wayne County, Ohio

August 26, Amos Miller District

Anna, dau. of Dan S. Yoder  
 Katie, dau. of Eli M. Troyer  
 Andy, son of Eli M. Troyer  
 Junior, son of Milt R. Troyer  
 Ben, son of Mose B. Troyer

September 16, Sol Weaver District

Amanda, dau. of Henry B. Miller  
 Emma, dau. of Raymond L. Swartzentruber  
 John, son of Sol L. Weaver  
 Harry, son of Alfred D. Miller  
 Ada, dau. of Sol L. Weaver  
 Esther, dau. of Dan M. Troyer

## Ashland County, Ohio

Middle Church District

August 28, by Bishop Albert J. Keim

Mary, dau. of Pre. Dan D. and Polly Gingerich  
 Cora, dau. of Pre. Crist S. and Elizabeth Miller  
 East District

September 2, by Bishop Simon Brenneman

Aden, son of Dea. Sam E. and Susie Miller  
 Andrew, son of Menno J. and Esther Troyer  
 Susie, dau. of Pre. Roy and Katie Coblentz

West District, September 16

by Bishop Ura Yoder of Bowling Green, Mo.

Anna, dau. of Pre. Henry and Katie Raber  
 Katie, dau. of Pre. Roman M. and Emma Yoder  
 Annie, dau. of Aden N. and Edna Yoder  
 Fannie, dau. of Dea. Abe J. and Annie Raber  
 Miriam, dau. of John D. and Esther Schlabach  
 Emma, dau. of Bishop Dan D. and Katie Miller

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Abe A. Yoder West Yoder District

September 8, by Bishop Abe A. Yoder

Floyd, son of Ammon J. and Alma Miller  
 Elmer, son of Joni J. and Susie Miller  
 Ora, son of Joe W. and Ella Yoder  
 Wilbur Yoder of Arthur, Illinois  
 Christina, dau. of Mahlon A. and Wilma Miller  
 Edna, dau. of Henry F. and Emma Graber  
 Lizzie, dau. of Ben C. and Katie Miller

Clemence Miller Middle Barrens District

by Bishop Clemence Miller

Christy, son of Chris L. and Viola (Miller) Miller  
 Levi, son of Ezra J. and Anna (Yoder) Miller  
 Daniel, son of Levi and Susie (Yoder) Lehman  
 Marlene, dau. of Joe B. and Mary (Eash) Miller



## Adams County, Indiana

Northeast Berne District at Cornelius C. Troyers

September 30, by Bishop Levi H. Schwartz

Milo, son of Alvin L. and Fannie Hilty

Paul M., son of Levi J. and Mary Shetler

Christy, son of Alvin L. and Fannie Hilty

Ruby E., dau. of Bishop Levi H. and Emma Schwartz

Lucinda A., dau. of Andrew A. and Amanda Hilty

## Kokomo, Indiana

South District, September 9

by Bishop George Gingerich

Marvin, son of Henry J. and Mary (Gingerich) Otto

## Arthur, Illinois

Bishop Menno S. Miller District

August 26, at Melvin J. Ottos

Marvin, son of Jacob M. Millers

Daniel, son of Menno J. Chupps

Dannie, son of Dannie J. Kaufmans

Willis, son of Enos N. Schrock's

Roger, son of Phenias J. Schrock's

Bishop Harry Miller District

September 5, at Toby Masts

Raymond, son of Bishop Henry Millers

Noah, son of Ammon L. Millers

Omar, son of Ervin Jess's

Ervin, son of Joel N. Schrock went with the instructions and was received in church with the others but was not baptized as he had been baptized in another church.

Irene, dau. of Bishop Henry Millers

Catherine, dau. of Toby Herschbergers

Susanna, dau. of Bennie Gingerichs

## Pike County, Missouri

Northeast District, August 26

Enos Jr., son of Enos E. Yoders

Enos, son of Dave Eichers

Anna, dau. of Bishop Jacob W. Eicher

Margaret, dau. of Pre. Willard Borntrager

Southeast District, September 30

Sam, son of Noah S. Schwartz

Alvin, son of Falty Masts

Verna, dau. of Moses Schrock's

## Buchanan County, Iowa

Southeast District, September 23

by Bishop John Nisly

Henry, son of Andy Kauffman

Daniel, son of Christ Raber

Andy, son of Christ Raber

Northwest District, September 9

by Bishop Atlee Shetler

Lovina, dau. of Urie Gingerich

Verba, dau. of Atlee Shetler

## Johnson County, Iowa

September 16, by Bishop Truman Miller

Nathan, son of Raymond Brenneman

Marion, son of Jonas Miller

Enos, son of Truman Miller

Arline, dau. of Ernest Yoder

Anna Grace, dau. of Mrs. Katie Schlabach

Marline, dau. of Edwin Ray Miller

Rebecca, dau. of Raymond Brenneman

September 16, by Bishop Jonas Beachy

Henry, son of Chester H. Miller

Elijah, son of Mrs. Harley Coblentz

Paul, son of Glen Beachy

## Vernon County, Wisconsin

North Church District, September 2

by Bishop Jonas N. Hershberger of Geauga Co.

Andy, son of Monroe and Malinda (Schlabach) Miller

Roy, son of Monroe and Malinda (Petersheim) Schrock

Andy, son of Chester and Elmina (Hershberger) Kauffman

Susan, dau. of Gid and Sarah (Miller) Miller

Edna, dau. of Monroe and Alma (Miller) Mast

## Milverton, Ontario

September 2

Eli, son of Enos Wagler

David, son of Aaron Zehr

Reuben, son of Menno Albrecht

Marie, dau. of Ezra Albrecht

Nancy, dau. of Israel Kuepfer

Rosena, dau. of Jonathan Kuepfer

Katie, dau. of Chris Kuepfer

Kathleen, dau. of Aaron Kuepfer

Laura, dau. of Earl Kipfer

Viola, dau. of John Kuepfer

September 9

Sam, son of Harvey Jantzi

Eldon, son of Joe Albrecht

Menno, son of the late Reuben Streicher

Emmalene, dau. of David L. Albrecht

Elizabeth, dau. of Clayton Jantzi

Miriam, dau. of Harvey Albrecht

Catherine, dau. of Simeon Z. Kuepfer

## MARRIAGES

## Dover, Delaware

Mast, Troyer - David, son of Jonas S. and Alma Mast of LeRaysville, Pa., and Neoma, daughter of Alfred D. and Effie Troyer, September 12, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

Miller, Mast - Sam, son of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller, and Elmina, daughter of Henry Y. and Miriam Mast, September 20, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

## Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Girod, Troyer - Ben, son of Mary (Wickey) and the late Pete S. Girod, and Barbara, daughter of Sam M. and the late Elisabeth (Troyer) Troyer, September 6, by Bishop Tobe Petersheim.

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Miller, Hershberger - Andy, son of Levi E. Miller, Sugar Grove, Pa., and Susan, daughter of Emanuel Hershberger, Orrville, Ohio, August 9.

## Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Coblentz - John A., son of Albert B. Byler, Clarks Mills, Pa., and Mary D., daughter of David D. Coblentz, Jackson Center, Pa., September 27.

Marriages to be continued next month.

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also because of the number of houses, there having been in that valley more than seventy families of those people who left many houses which are today deserted and uninhabited through which the Prince Palatin of Birckenfeld is losing at least one third of his revenue from this valley.

Since the orders of the king are considered sacred by the prince, he does not ask for exception, but he does call attention to the counselors to see if it would not be convenient on behalf of his service and for the public to have a fixed number limited of those people to return to this valley. Furtheron he quotes of those people of having qualities of being a simple folk, of good faith, peaceful, paying with extreme exactitude and without the slightest restraint the royal taxes, concerning themselves only with their work and not participating in any other affairs; practicing their religion quietly at home, and not giving any fear of seduction or scandal; these people could relieve the subjects of his majesty by bringing about the reflourishing of agriculture and the art of feeding cattle.

This document explains why the orders of the king were not strictly upheld and the Mennonites were powerfully supported by the Lords.

A certain prince, Leopold Eberhard, comes into the picture now. Although the public in general, as well as state officials, did not speak well of him, he had continual problems with the king of France, he did favor the Mennonites not the least. Professor John Vienot writes of him as having manners that are deplorable; for more than twenty years he presented a shameless life. He needed many resources to face his debts, to this he pillaged the church (state) treasury that was meant to support the pastor and schools, and promulgated the law of disinheritence which brought him unclaimed property.

In 1710 he ordered the inhabitants of Montbeliard to present their property titles of their buildings under penalty of fine. The properties that could not produce these titles were to be confiscated for the profit of the prince. In more simple speaking, he sifted out the unfortunate farmers which left an opening for the Mennonites.

While this Prince Eberhard ruled these regions of France, he had trouble within his own monopoly; in 1704 the first farmer (state farmer) had abandoned his farm and now his successor, a Frenchman had run away. A herd of 41 cows, 8 steers, 1 bull, 45 goats, etc. were abandoned. The agriculture department had to act quickly, so they approached the Mennonites, who had a good reputation and who had just appeared in the area. We find the chamberlain of the prince leasing a farm with appurtenances, even the cattle and farming tools, to Isaac Kauffman and Michael Mosiman. But later they were not alone in the Clemont area. John Kurtner, James Neuhauser, Bentz Rubi, and Anne Janni widow of Klaus Rupp, and Ulrich Brunner had settled on small farms. But this settlement was shortlived.

The general of the Baillywick of Baume was ordered to reestablish Catholicism in the village of Clemont. A judgement was rendered against the Anabaptists, and the clerk hurried to carry it out. The border was nearby and the clerk feared the Swiss would escape, so he at once seized their furnishings, the cattle and farming tools, and placed them in security. He did not realize at the time that these furnishings were not at all the property of the Swiss, since they were just leased from the Baillywick, and after this was discussed with the state authorities the clerk was ordered to return to the Swiss and seize their hay, which was carried out promptly. The cattle, therefore, were brought back to Montecheroux and the poor Mennonites left the places where they had hardly finished settling.

The year 1713 truly marks the settlement of the Anabaptists in Montbeliard. From that time on it was a continual movement between Alsace and the Canton of Bern. Leopold Eberhard, because of his infamous life, had lost the confidence of his subjects. He was very happy to have foreign farmers at his disposition who were unaware of his bad deeds, and had enough knowledge of the Mennonites to call them directly and individually from Switzerland. He addressed requests from Badevel to the carpenter Hans Baumgartner in 1723. It refers to earlier facts of 1716. It says that he sent three letters to John Graber (1716) of Switzerland to have him come to this country, that he could rent a mill at a price that would permit him to earn a living. When he came he was given a lease to the new mill of the town for two years.

In all these conferences between the prince and the Swiss refugees there was no mention of religion. It is remarkable to see the prudence with which written statements were carefully avoided. When the council of the prince wants to write to the Mennonites as a group, it informs one of them to convene the others at the Market of Montbeliard.

An account of the Anabaptist farmers for the years 1715 and 1716 is located in the Archives of Doubs. Here one finds some names that appeared in preceeding lists of Saint Marie Mines in 1703 and 1708. Hans Roth at Etupes, Jacob Blank at Beaulieu, Hans Baumgartner at Badevel, Hans Hochstetler at Clairegoutte, Peter Reich at Magny, Christ Hochstetler at Etobon, Ulrich Glucky at Magny, Hans Reinhart at Bart, Steffan Rutzy at Schliffe, Christ Joder at Bavans, Christ Linder at Etupes, Jost Joder at Verney, Hans Zimmerman at Marchelavillers, Michael Mosiman at Grange-Dame, Kalsu Fahrni at Frederick-Fontaine, Hans Eicher at Belverme, Bentz Rubi, Hans Rohrbacher, and Jacob Augsberger are named without location.

All these farmers knew each other (says Mathoit), called on one another, changed places, as their farms were leased. They sometimes leased several farms and hired assistant farmers, and they communicated with those who remained in Alsace and in

Switzerland.

Joseph Beiler

To be continued



## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

Preimmigration Conditions  
Civil Rights Affect the Church

Continued from last month

### The Question of Military Service

In 1708 the inhabitants of Val Ste. Marie commenced to become more uneasy. They sent a petition to the prince Palatin of Birckenfeld, with protest, saying - The poor workers and inhabitants of Ste. Marie and surrounding areas beg, on the grounds that it is utterly impossible for them to hold themselves ready with weapons at any time if the Anabaptists, in numbers established in this location, are not obligated to march equally with them, since it is for their protection as well as ours. . . etc.

In the meantime, according to the Mathoit research, there are two documents preserved in the Archives of Colmar, one written in German, the other in French, giving the names of the heads of Mennonite families at this time for the region of Ste. Marie aux Mines. One is dated 1703 and the other 1708. These lists show that new convoys of Mennonites were arriving without let-up. These Mennonites were farmers, carpenters, and weavers, and began to attract attention because of their numbers, and to provoke envy because of their material position. Several became rich; they were annoying to those who coveted their possessions. Thus their attitude with regard to public functions, military service, and taking oaths irritated the others.

Now we find names of the 1703 list which we already have, in most part, on our Fatherland Ship-lists, as follow: Hans Loginbuhl, Christ Bachmann, Nicholas Blank, Christ Joder, Christ Hostetler, Nicholas Zimmerman, Hans Zimmerman, Christ Schwartz, Jacob Rutt, Hans Hochstetler, Christ Linder, Michael Murer, Peter Luti, Hans Gerig, Peter Gerber, Hans Muller, Jacob Hochstetler, Hans Linder, Michael Schwartz, Hans Roth, Hans Zimmerman, Christ Kropf, Nicholas Fahrni. The paper which bears around forty names is signed by Hans Zimmerman and Jacob Ammann.

The other list of 1708 is longer. It contains over sixty names, some of which reoccur in French spelling. Hans Russer, Hans Von Goul (Kennel), Ulrich Schallenberger, Peter Roth are among this list, and a note of explanation is added to Ulrich Graber.

In 1712 action was taken by authorities against the Mennonites. The superintendent of Alsace wrote orders to the bailiffs of the county in a circular, that he would chase them from the kingdom. The order contained the following words: "I have received orders from the king to cause to leave Alsace all of the Anabaptists who have settled there, even those who have been there the longest, without exception. When you receive my letter you will not fail to warn those in your baillywick to withdraw with their families from this province."

Now from a memorandum (no date) preserved in the Upper Rhine Archives, we can gather some effects of the order.

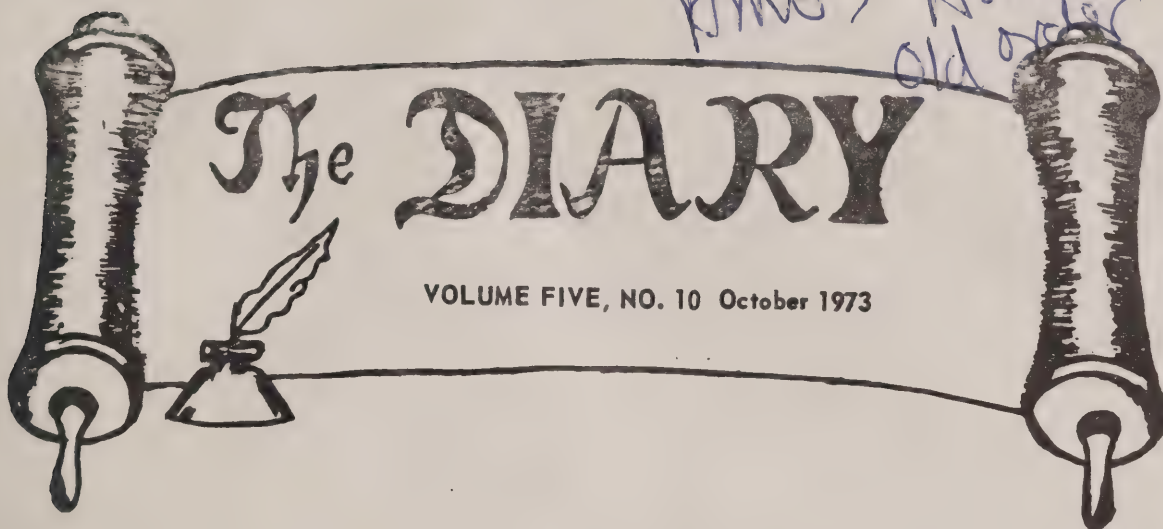
The Anabaptists have settled in the valley of Ste.-Marie-aux-Mines, for over a century, a long time before Alsace was reunited with France. They cleared and planted a great deal of land on the plain and in the mountains, they excelled in raising and trading cattle, they concocted remedies that saved a great number of herds from the contagious disease; they largely contributed to all public charges; they converted into arable land the valley of Ste. Marie which until then had been covered with woods and served only for mines, which had become actually a desert when the miners abandoned it during the war with Sweden. They alone undertook to cultivate these arid and unfertile lands, making from them the most beautiful pastures in the province. The valley of Saint-Marie was in this condition until 1713 when the late king whose memory is glorious, ordered that the Anabaptists withdraw from the province, which they did, settling in Lorraine and even in bordering villages, some belonging to the Prince Palatin of Birckenfeld, in the principality of Montbeliard, and neighboring states, where they were welcomed with much less difficulty.

The lands of the Prince Palatin of Burckenfeld, particularly the valley of Ste.-Marie, noticed the exit of these people and that within a very short span of time a large part of the land that they had cultivated became fallow again. Partly because of the considerable decrease of tithes and other revenues and

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### RUNAWAY FATAL TO SMALL BOY

The Indiana Co., Pa. community was shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Allen, one-year-old son of Dan L. and Emma (Schlabach) Miller. They were husking corn, with little Allen sleeping on the wagon, when one of the horses stripped off his bridle. The horses were told to walk ahead, not noticing the bridle was off, they broke into a gallop, going over an embankment and throwing the little boy on the pavement. The horses hit an electric pole across the road. The little boy was found under the wagon. He died about three hours later of bleeding of the brain.

### INDIANA BOY KILLED IN FARM ACCIDENT

Lamar E. Yoder, 17, of Milford R2, Ind. was killed in a corn picker-sheller accident Monday A.M. Oct. 22nd. He worked on the farm for a neighbor, Dan Anglin. They were combining soybeans, tho Lamar was alone at the time of the accident. He had an oil can in one hand and crawled underneath to do some needed oiling, and he failed to shut off the power take-off. The drive-shaft caught his sweat shirt and it strangled or choked him. It is believed that death was sudden tho he wasn't discovered for several hours. A neighbor boy, Laverne Miller, first came to him. (See obituary)

### INDIANA BOY KICKED BY HORSE

Pete Eicher, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno N. Eicher of Bryant R1, was kicked in the head by a horse in the evening of October 7, when he was helping his brothers chase the horses out of a field. He was taken to the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne where he was in surgery for three hours, for removing a blood clot and pieces of bone from his bone. He was unconscious several days after the mishap. He was dismissed from the hospital October 19th and is getting along real good.

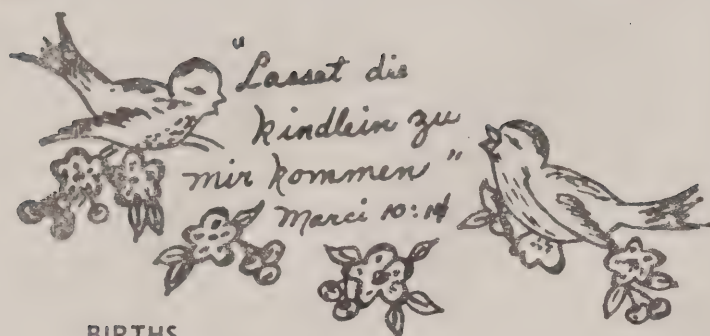
### VERNON CO., WIS. ACCIDENT

Melvin M. Hershberger, 35, of Cashton R3, Wis. had an accident October 5 when he had hitched a new horse to the top buggy. After going about 1½ miles the horse started kicking and by the time he was under control the buggy was badly wrecked and the harness torn but Melvin was not hurt. He then decided to ride back home as the horse seemed quiet again. Within forty rods of home a school bus scared the horse and he reared, throwing Melvin to the pavement. An oil truck was coming and one of the older boys on the bus jumped out the emergency door and pulled Melvin to safely. No one recognized him, but soon the Amish school children came past and they knew who the man was. One boy said "Why that's my father," so he ran home and told his mother. He was rushed to Vernon Memorial Hospital in Viroqua where tests and xrays were taken and they said he was too serious for them so he was rushed 40 miles to Lacrosse Lutheran Hospital where more tests and xrays showed a massive blood clot on the brain. He was in the operating room 4½ hours and came through O.K. His right side is partially paralyzed and his speech is severely affected. The doctors are well pleased with his progress. He was released from the hospital October 20th.

### CORN PICKER ACCIDENT

Monday, Oct. 15, Ephraim K. Stoltzfus Jr., son of Widow Annie Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa. got his left hand caught in a corn picker. He was fast with the picker running and the rollers burned his hand and skinned three of his fingers. He was rushed to the General Hospital in Lancaster where they operated and took his middle finger off. He was to have another operation Friday, Oct. 19, and he may lose the pointer finger also.





## BIRTHS

## Dover, Delaware

- BEACHY, Dan Yost (Barbara Mast) Hartly R1  
a son CRISTY, October 3  
BYLER, Jake C. (Verna Troyer) Dover R2  
a son RAYMOND  
MAST, David J. (Naomi Troyer) Dover R2  
a daughter MARY ANN, October 8  
MILLER, John (Emma Mast) Wyoming R1  
a STILLBORN SON, October 7

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- ALLGYER, Amos (Lydia Ruth Smucker) Kinzers R1  
a son AMEY LEE, October 10  
BEILER, Isaac E. (Rebecca S. King) Quarryville R3  
a daughter ANNA K., October 29  
BLANK, Jonas (Sara Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a daughter ESTHER, October 17  
ESCH, Jonas S. (Sarah K. Blank) New Providence R1  
a son ELAM, October 6  
ESH, Benjamin P. (Lydia Lapp) 2471 Horseshoe Rd.  
Lancaster, a daughter LAVINA, October 21  
ESH, Moses H. (Elizabeth Lapp) Paradise R1  
a daughter KATIE, October 7  
ESH, Stephen S. (Mamie Riehl) Paradise R1  
a son AMOS RICHARD, October 9  
FISHER, Elam B. (Mary K. Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a daughter FLORENCE G., October 22  
FISHER, Samuel S. (Lydiann Dienner) Ronks R1  
a daughter KATIE, October 7  
FISHER, Stephen U. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
a son MERVIN, October 6  
GLICK, Benjamin S. (Sadie E. Kauffman) Quarryville R3  
a son October 11  
KING, Amos K. (Malinda E. King) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son AMOS K. JR., October 19  
KING, Daniel B. (Rebecca Glick) New Holland R1  
a daughter MALINDA, October 20  
KING, Samuel F. (Fannie Beiler) Ronks R1  
a son IVAN B., October 25  
LANTZ, Amos B. (Katie D. Stoltzfus) Leola R1  
a son JAMES S., October 30  
LAPP, Aaron E. (Lizzie F. Blank) New Holland R1  
a son IVAN B., October 9  
LAPP, Levi S. (Susie Ann Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son SAMUEL ISAAC, October 13  
LAPP, Phares (Hannah Riehl) Ronks R1  
a daughter LEAH, October 21  
STOLTZFUS, Abner L. (Annie S. Fisher) Conostoga R1  
a son DAVID F., October 22  
STOLTZFUS, Benjamin (Malinda Zook) 186 Geist Rd.  
a daughter RACHEL, October 19

- STOLTZFUS, Daniel S. (Rebecca Glick) Honey Brook R2, a daughter FEENIE, October 7  
STOLTZFUS, Daniel F. (Mary B. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1  
a daughter ANNA, October 5  
STOLTZFUS, Elmer (Lydia Esh) Talmage  
a daughter MIRIAM, October 16  
STOLTZFUS, Jacob K. (Fannie S. Smucker) Christiansburg R1, a son BENJAMIN S., October 28  
STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Mary Ann Diener) Gordonville R1, a daughter BARBARA ELIZABETH, Oct. 26  
STOLTZFUS, John S. (Lydia L. King) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter MARY, October 2  
STOLTZFUS, John Z. (Rachel S. Blank) Gap R1  
a son TOBIAS, October 5  
STOLTZFUS, Levi (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a son NATHANIEL, October 15  
STOLTZFUS, Levi S. (Lydia Ann Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1, a son BENUEL LEE, October 24  
STOLTZFUS, Steven M. (Fannie K. Fisher) Mondale Rd Bird-in-Hand R1, a son ELI F., October 19  
STOLTZFUS, Steven (Anna Stoltzfus) Narvon R2  
a son SAMUEL K., October 29  
ZOOK, Levi B. (Sarah Miller) Ronks R1  
a daughter BARBARA ANN, October 29

## Centre County, Pennsylvania

- BEILER, John D. (Arie Esh)  
a daughter FANNIE, October 10

## Clinton Co (Sugar Valley) Pennsylvania

- BEILER, Menno S. Jr. (Miriam K. Fisher)  
a daughter SALLY F., October 31

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

- PEACHEY, Elmer (Mary Zook) Belleville  
a daughter LINDIE, September 28  
PEACHEY, Henry (Leah Peachey) Allensville  
a daughter RACHEL, October 9  
PEACHEY, Sylvanus (Katie Swarey) Belleville  
a son SYLVANUS, October 9

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Lebanon County, Pennsylvania  
 PEACHEY, Benjamin Y. (Leah Lapp) Robesonia R2  
 a son THOMAS, October 1

Path Valley, Pennsylvania  
 BEILER, Enos (Sarah Stoltzfus)  
 a daughter BARBARA, October 28

Juniata County, Pennsylvania  
 RENNO, Gideon L. (Salina Yoder) McAlisterville R2  
 a son LEROY D., October 18  
 WENGERD, Aden M. (Mattie King) Mifflintown R2  
 a daughter FANNIE, October 23

Indiana County, Pennsylvania  
 MILLER, Dan L. (Emma Schlabach) Smicksburg  
 a son ROMAN, October 21  
 WEAVER, John A. (Clara Miller) Smicksburg  
 a daughter SARAH, October 17  
 YODER, John M. (Martha Miller) Smicksburg  
 a son BENNY, October 15

Crawford County, Pennsylvania  
 FISHER, Menno (Mary Stoltzfus) Conneautville R3  
 a son MENNO, JR., October 7

Conewango Valley, New York  
 MILLER, Andy (Edna Mast)  
 a daughter FANNIE, October 23  
 MILLER, Eli (Ada Miller)  
 a daughter IVA, October 21  
 MILLER, Mose (Anna Miller)  
 a daughter ADA, October 18  
 YODER, Eli (Ella Shetler)  
 a son SAMUEL, October 17  
 YODER, Menno (Amanda Byler)  
 a daughter on October 25  
 YODER, Urie (Susan Shetler)  
 twins ELI and ELLA, September 28

Geauga County, Ohio  
 BORKHOLDER, Henry (Linda Fisher)  
 a son, October 14  
 BYLER, Melvin (Esther Detweiler)  
 a son MELVIN JR.,  
 BYLER, Mose A. (Barbara J. Kempf)  
 a daughter NANCY,  
 COBLENTZ, Lester A. (Sarah A. Miller)  
 a son LESTER JR.,  
 DETWEILER, Albert G. (Betty Hershberger)  
 a daughter BARBARA, October 2  
 FREY, Harvey H. (Mary Ellen Farmwald)  
 twin sons, DANIEL and SAMUEL, September 21  
 HERSHBERGER, Crist (Linda Kauffman)  
 a son ROY, October 1  
 KAUFFMAN, Andy S. (Emma Byler)  
 a daughter SUSAN  
 MILLER, Andy (Mary Ann Miller)  
 a daughter, October 29  
 MILLER, Mose J. (Mary L. Miller)  
 a son JOHNNY, October 12  
 MILLER, Noah C. (Rebecca J. Miller)  
 a daughter MARY, October 19  
 YODER, Elmer A. (Sarah A. Byler)  
 a daughter, October 7

Oakland, Maryland  
 KAUFFMAN, Junior A. (Darlene Marner) Oak!and R2  
 a son PHILIP WAYNE, October 21

Stark County, Ohio  
 BYLER, Paul (Leona Zook)  
 a son JAMES, September 24

Holmes County, Ohio  
 BARKMAN, Alvin D. (Ada Mae Hershberger)  
 a daughter, October 8  
 BURKHOLDER, Ray E. (Verna Yoder) Dalton R2  
 a daughter MARTHA, October 26  
 HERSHBERGER, Melvin J. (Mattie Troyer) Millersburg  
 R5, a son ANDREW, October 25  
 KEIM, Andy M. (Maryann L. Troyer) Fredericksburg  
 a son JUNIOR, October 15  
 MAST, Crist D. (Ruth Graber) Orrville R3  
 a daughter ROSEMARY, October 24  
 MILLER, Abe M. (Lizzieann Miller) Dundee R1  
 a son DANIEL, October 16  
 MILLER, Aden M. (Lizzie E. Troyer) Apple Creek  
 a daughter SHIRLEY, September 27  
 MILLER, Andy Y. and Effie, Orrville R3  
 a son MARVIN, October 24  
 MILLER, Atlee R. (Barbara Troyer)  
 a daughter RUBY, October 14  
 MILLER, Dan J. (Ella Byler) Fredericksburg R2  
 a daughter CLARA, September 30  
 MILLER, Sam C. (Lydia Hershberger) Apple Creek R1  
 a daughter NETTIE, October 15  
 SCHLABACH, Dan J. (Naomi Miller)  
 a son REUBEN, September 21  
 SLABACH, Davy (Mary Raber) Millersburg R2  
 a daughter VERNA, September 26  
 STUTZMAN, Noah J. (Amanda Barkman)  
 a daughter, October 6  
 TROYER, John C. (Sarah Ann Mast) Orrville R3  
 a daughter LAURA KAY, October 14  
 WEAVER, Paul (Fannie Weaver)  
 twins, ALVIN and ALMA, October 28  
 WENGARD, Alvin J. (Betty Hochstetler) Fredericks-  
 burg, a daughter SUSAN, October 10  
 YODER, Andy J. A. (Katieann Miller)  
 a daughter, October 18  
 YODER, Eli J. (Mary M. Yoder) Big Prairie R1  
 a daughter ANNA, October 12  
 YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. C., Millersburg R2  
 a son VERNON, October 20  
 YODER, Paul M. (Amanda E. Troyer) Fredericksburg  
 a son ANDREW, October

Ashland County, Ohio  
 SCHROCK, Andrew (Mattie Hershberger) Shiloh R1  
 a son JOHN, October 17  
 YODER, Roy (Ella Miller) Ashland R1  
 a son PAUL, October 18

Camden, Michigan  
 GIROD, Jake (Esther Graber) Camden R1  
 a daughter ESTHER, October 25



## BIRTHS, Continued

## Adams County, Indiana

- GRABER, David J. (Millie Lambright) Geneva R2  
a daughter ESTHER, October 8
- MILLER, Joe L. (Edna D. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a son LARRY, October 20
- SCHWARTZ, Levi K. (Becky L. Wickey) Willshire R1  
a son DANIEL, October 23
- SCHWARTZ, Raymond N. (Emma G. Eicher) Berne R2  
a son SIMON, October 17
- SCHWARTZ, Sylvan U. (Rosie K. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a daughter MARTHA, October 22
- TROYER, Ernest C. (Edna U. Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a daughter JoANN, October 21
- WICKEY, John S. (Elizabeth U. Schwartz) Geneva R2  
a daughter ELIZABETH, October 5
- WICKEY, Levi L. (Lizzie I. Schwartz) Geneva R2  
a son LEVI, October 11

## Nappanee, Indiana

- YODER, Ola (Vera Schmucker)  
a son BRIAN LEE, October 21

## Elkhart County, Indiana

- BONTRAGER, David Lee (Laura Bontrager) Middlebury R2, a son JOHN, October 20
- BYLER, Noah B. (Caroline Schwartz) Middlebury R2  
a son DANIEL, October 3
- MILLER, Samuel (Mary Lehman) Middlebury R3  
a daughter MARY, October 17 (died the same day)
- YODER, Mose A. (Margaret Schwartz) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter ETTA FERN, October 3

## LaGrange County, Indiana

- HERSCHBERGER, John (Clara Yoder) LaGrange R1  
a daughter INEZ J., October 12
- HOCHSTETLER, Clarence M. (Ada Miller) LaGrange R4  
a son WILBUR C., October 10
- MILLER, Levi E. (Mattie Hochstedler) Wolcottville R2  
a son ELMER, October 15
- MILLER, Orva P. (Ella Mae Slabach) LaGrange R1  
a son DAVID LEE, October 16
- MULLET, Enos N. (LeAnna Schrock) Shipshewana R2  
twins ELROY and LEROY, September 27
- RABER, Levi (Irene Miller) Millersburg  
a son RICHARD LEE, September 28
- RABER, Vernon, (Mary Ellen Fry) LaGrange R4  
a son MERLE DEAN, September 27
- SCHROCK, Abe A. (Miriam Lambright) LaGrange R4  
a son DAVID, October 14
- YODER, Albert (Rosa Eash) Topeka R2  
a daughter MIRIAM, October 4
- YODER, Chris A. (Katie Beachy) LaGrange R2  
a daughter VELDA, October 15
- YODER, Daniel H. (Mary Etta Mast) LaGrange R4  
a daughter LORETTA FERN, September 23
- YODER, Joseph Jr., (Sue Ellen Glick) LaGrange R1  
a son DANIEL RAY, October 8
- YODER, Martin (Lizzie Ann Miller) LaGrange R1  
a son WANETTA KAY, October 4
- YODER, Wilbur Lee (Amanda Raber) Middlebury R3  
a son KENNETH WAYNE, October 7

## Allen County, Indiana

- GRABER, Robert (Verna Schwartz) Grabill  
a daughter LEORA, October 24
- LENGACHER, Melvin (Ruby Graber) Grabill  
twin sons, IRVIN and MERVIN, October 2
- MILLER, Amos Jr., (Edna Graber) Grabill R1  
a son ALVIN, October 17
- SCHMUCKER, David (Anna Zehr) Grabill R2  
a daughter MARIE, October 14
- SCHMUCKER, Noah (Rebecca Steury)  
a son MENNO, October 11
- ZEHR, Peter (Mary Ann Wittmer) Grabill R2  
a son PETER JR., October 1

## Milroy, Indiana

- COBLENTZ, Mr. and Mrs. Roy N.  
a daughter, October 26
- YUTZY, Mr. and Mrs. Aden L.  
a daughter, October 21
- YUTZY, Mr. and Mrs. John R.  
a daughter, October 30

## Arthur, Illinois

- CHUPP, Harvey (Mary Otto)  
a daughter, WILMA, September 24
- GINGERICH, Melvin (Katie Miller)  
a daughter Dorothy
- HERSCHBERGER, Ervin (Tillie Kaufman)  
a son CLIFFORD, September 30
- OTTO, Ervin R. (Millie Plank)  
a daughter LORENE, October 17
- PLANK, Harvey (Sadie Schlabaugh)  
a son MARCUS, September 22
- PLANK, Ivan (Clara Kaufman)  
a son
- STUTZMAN, Maevin (Sara Mae Herschberger)  
a son LEANDER, August 14

## Pike County, Missouri

- YODER, Eli E. (Barbara Schwartz) Bowling Green  
a son AMOS, October 2

## Anabel, Missouri

- YODER, Ray L. (Edith)  
a daughter MARY, September 10

## Buchanan County, Iowa

- KAUFFMAN, Dan A. (Lizzie Raber) Hazleton  
a daughter LORENE, October 21
- MAST, Henry A. (Esther Yutzy) Fairbank  
a daughter MARTHA, October 5
- MILLER, Raymond (Martha Gingerich) Hazleton  
a son DANIEL, October 10
- YODER, Henry L. (Ruby Gingerich) Hazleton  
a daughter MARTHA, October 26

## Johnson County, Iowa

- HERSHBERGER, Isaac (Mary Edna Yoder)  
a daughter RUBY LOUISE, September 28
- MILLER, Amos T. (Elsie Miller)  
a son ALTON, October 14
- MILLER, Monroe (Freda Mast)  
a daughter MARLENE, October 26

## Marshfield, Missouri

YODER, Mahlon and Lizzie  
a daughter RUTH, October 21  
YODER, Reuben and Mary  
a son SAMUEL, October 20

## Jamestown, Missouri

BONTRAGER, Edward E. (Mary Mast)  
a son DAVID, October 28  
BONTRAGER, Menno L. (Lydia Yoder)  
a daughter SUSAN MARIE, September 29  
BONTRAGER, Mose M. (Mary Ellen Bontrager)  
a son JOE, October 4  
MAST, Jake J. (Katie Ann Gingerich)  
a daughter RACHEL MARIE, October 11

## Audrain County, Missouri

BORNTREGER, Eli W. (Mary Gingerich) Clark  
a son SAMUEL, October 13  
BORNTREGER, George B. (Amanda Yoder) Clark  
a son MOSES, October 1  
GINGERICH, Ura D. (Mattie Petersheim) Clark  
a son MAHLON, October 1  
HOCHSTETLER, Mahlon (Barbara Shetler) Clark  
a daughter FANNIE, October 21  
MILLER, Amos A. (Elva Borntrager) Clark  
a son NOAH, October

## Vernon County, Wisconsin

MILLER, Melvin G. (Ada J. Borntrager)  
a son JOE, October 5

## Norwich, Ontario, Canada

SHETLER, Atlee J. (Anna N. Stutzman) Norwich R1  
a daughter SUSIE, October 2

## Grey County, Ontario, Canada

HERSHBERGER, Gideon J. (Elizabeth Yoder)  
a daughter KATIE, October 16  
MILLER, Joe A. (Mary Shetler)  
a still born son on October 13  
ZOOK, Dan J. (Katie Gingerich)  
a son DANIEL, October 28

## Milverton, Ontario, Canada

KUEPFER, Aaron (Muriel Albrecht) Linwood R1  
a daughter VERONICA, October 17  
KUEPFER, David (Adeline Kuepfer) Milverton R1  
a daughter ELMINA, October 11  
KUEPFER, Reuben (Fannie Kuepfer) Milverton R1  
a daughter JOYCE, October 6

## Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada

BONTRAGER, Mr. and Mrs. Clements  
a daughter MARY, October 5

## MILVERTON, ONT. ACCIDENTS

Chris Kuepfer of Linwood R1, Ont. got his hand in the corn blower when filling silo. He had three fingers cut, one so bad they had to take half of it off. He spent a day in the hospital.

His brother, Andrew Kuepfer of Newton R1, got his hand in the engine fan when chopping, and broke one finger.

## 33-YEAR-OLD MAN

## TO HAVE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT

Nathan A. Wickey, 33, of Monroe R1, has been ill most of the summer and in and out of the hospital several times. He had both kidneys removed at the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, September 21, and is at home now. He was dismissed from the hospital October 3rd. In order to stay alive Nathan goes to Fort Wayne three times a week where he spends six hours on a kidney machine. This purifies the blood by removing waste and keeps him alive. The treatments are painless, but very expensive. Nathan is able to be up part of the time, but is quite weak. He does not have any pain. His first symptoms of kidney trouble came in the form of severe headaches and finally, May 25th, tests showed he was suffering from Nephritis, a kidney disease. Since then he has been under the care of a specialist. Plans are under way for a kidney transplant before Christmas, in a Chicago hospital. Nathan's brother has offered to donate one of his kidneys for the transplant, and tests are now underway to determine if the organs match sufficiently to avoid the possibility of rejection after the transplant. The transplant will cost thousands of dollars and the Wickeys have already spent a large amount in doctor and hospital bills. Nathan is a son of Mr. and Mrs. August Wickey, now of Wolcottville, but formerly of this community. He is married to the former Elizabeth Schwartz and they have two daughters, Lena, 9, and Mary Alice, 6. Before his illness Nathan was a carpenter, and he taught school one year in one of the Amish schools in this area. He is on a strict diet and lost 50 pounds since he became ill.

## INDIANA CO., PA. ACCIDENT

Ben, age 17, son of Dea. Allen M. Millers, backed off a roof, about 20 feet, injuring his back and receiving a few bruises on the head. He went back to work again after a one week's rest.

## CASHTON, WIS. ACCIDENTS

John, age 9, son of Wm. and Mattie (Weaver) Kempf, received a broken leg at school when a swing pole broke and hit his leg while he was eating dinner.

Perry, 14, son of Wm. and Edna (Miller) Schmucker, happened to run a pitch fork tine in behind his eye ball. It hit the bone back of the eye, but, luckily, didn't hurt his vision. It happened before daylight while Perry and the hired man were feeding cows. He made two trips to the doctor's and was then getting along O.K.

## OAKLAND, MARYLAND MISHAPS

Sam, 16, son of John C. Yoders, had two fingers almost cut off in a power saw at the cabinet shop. The doctor sewed them on again in hopes they would heal.

Barbara, 18, daughter of Atlee Hershbergers broke her ankle when she fell several steps down a stairway, October 7th. The doctor put a cast on and she isn't to put any weight on it till she sees the doctor again November 8th or 9th.



## OBITUARIES

**BEILER, Jacob N., 76, Gap R1, Pa.**

died at his home in White Horse, Sunday Oct. 7 at 4:45 a.m., after a lengthy illness. Born in Leacock Twp., he was a son of the late Noah and Mary (King) Beiler. In addition to his widow, Rachel (King) Beiler, he is survived by the following sons and daughters: Mary, wife of John S. Stoltzfus, Gap R2; Omar K., Leola R1; Miss Annie Beiler, at home; Noah K., Narvon R2; Sarah, wife of Morris Stoltzfus, Talmage; Lizzie, wife of Reuben Miller, Lancaster; Jacob E., Kinzers R1; and Rachel, wife of Amos K. Stoltzfus, Gap R1. Also surviving are 31 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and three brothers, Henry K. Beiler, Kinzers R1; Amos N. Beiler, of Strasburg R1, and Stephen Beiler, Ronks R1.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Samuel E. Stoltzfus; hymn by David Blank. Further services were held at the Amos L. Stoltzfus home by Ephraim King and John Glick. Burial was at Myers where a hymn was read by David Stoltzfus; abschied by Levi Stoltzfus.

**BONTRAGER, Mrs. Rode Edna, 79, LaGrange R4, In.**

died Wednesday, October 17, at her home after suddenly becoming ill. She was born December 25, 1893, in Hutchinson, Kan., and was married to Daniel B. Bontrager, December 5, 1912, in Kansas. They moved to LaGrange County in 1943. Surviving besides the husband are two daughters, Mrs. Enos Miller, LaGrange R4, and Mrs. Bill Yoder, Colon, Mich., a son, Chris, LaGrange R4; two sisters and three brothers, 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Bontrager home by Bishop Sam J. Miller. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

**BORINTRAGER, Mattie (Schrock), 73, Buchanan Co., I.**

was born Nov. 9, 1899 in Reno Co., Kansas, died Sept. 3, 1973 at the age of 73 yr., 9 mo., 25 days. On June 17, 1920 she was married to Eli J. Bontrager, lived in matrimony 53 yr., 20 mo., 17 days. To this union were born twelve children, four sons and eight daughters. She is survived by her husband, three sons, seven daughters, 75 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, four brothers and eight sisters. One son, one stillborn daughter, two sisters, her father and her mother preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Sept. 6 on the home place at Fairbank, Iowa; preaching in the big shed by Bishop Christ Bontrager of Amherst, Wisconsin and Bishop Atlee Shetler of the home church; in the house by Pre. Joe Miller of Medford, Wis. and Pre. John Yutzky of the home church; and in the small tool shed by Pre. David Schrock of Haven, Kansas and Pre. Levi S. Miller of one of the home churches. Many relatives and friends of different states attended the funeral.

**ESH, Mrs. Barbara F., 73, Paradise R1, Pa.**

died Friday, October 12 at 4:30 p.m. at her home. She had a light stroke last spring and couldn't get her strength back after that, but was going to church mostly all summer. She was in council meeting yet a week before she died. The wife of John M. Esh, she was born in East Lampeter Twp., a daughter of the late Jacob and Fannie (Fisher) King. Surviving besides her husband are five sons, Jacob F., of Logantown, Pa.; Jonas K., Ronks R1; John Jr., of Quarryville R3; Abner K., Paradise R1; and Aaron K., Quarryville R3; eight daughters, Fannie, wife of Amos K. Beiler, Quarryville R3; Mrs. Lizzie King, Honey Brook R1; Sarah, wife of Samuel Kauffman, Christiana R1; Barbara, wife of Benjamin Kauffman, Christiana R1; Katie, wife of John U. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; Melinda, wife of Samuel L. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1; Miss Mary Esh, at home; and Lydia, wife of David Glick, Quarryville R3; also three brothers, Jacob A. King, Strasburg R1; Samuel B. King, and Christian F. King, both of Ronks R1; four sisters, Mrs. Lizzie King, Leola R1; Miss Malinda King, Ronks R1; Katie, wife of Henry Blank, New Holland R2; and Fannie, wife of Daniel Y. Byler, Mechanicsville, Md.; 108 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Christian Fisher and Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; hymn read at house by Deacon Amos E. Stoltzfus; and at grave yard by Deacon David Z. Esh; abschied by Bishop John S. Glick. Burial was in Beilers Cemetery.

**FISHER, Dan J., 72, New Comb Rd., Middlefield, Oh.**

died October 20 of an apparent heart attack. He had been hospitalized for several weeks prior, and had an operation for a constricted esophagus, but was well on the way to recovery when he suddenly passed away. He leaves his wife, Katie (Farmwald), and ten children.

**KING, John B., 62, Honey Brook R1, Pa.**

died at 5 p.m. Wednesday, October 31, at the Lancaster General Hospital, apparently of injuries sustained in a fall at about 9 a.m. Tuesday in his barn. Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of Moses and the late Ida (Beiler) King. Surviving are his widow, Rachel A. (Beiler) King; two sons and two daughters, Paul B., Montgomery, Ind., and Abner R., Katie and Thelma, at home, three grandchildren; his father; and these brothers and sisters; Sylvanus B., Abner B., Alvin B., and Miss Ruth King, all of Honey Brook R2; Mary, wife of Henry Fisher, of Gordonville R1; and Miriam, wife of Dale Young, of Dale City, Virginia.

Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery at Honey Brook.

**MAST, Mary, 60, Jamesport, Missouri**

died at her home October 4 of a lengthy illness of cancer. She was born in Indiana November 19, 1912, and had been married to Henry J. Mast, who preceded her in death November 8, 1967. Surviving are five daughters and two sons, Mrs. John (Martha) Hostetler of Sarasota, Fla., Mrs. Eldon (Sara Mae) Kemp, of

Nappanee, Ind., Mrs. John Jr. (Elisabeth) Miller, Mrs. Edward (Mary) Bontrager, Elias and Joe, all of Jamesport, and Lovina, at home; 14 grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Lovina Troyer, Middlebury, Ind., Mrs. Lizzie Hershberger, Goshen, Ind., and Mrs. Barbara Hershberger, Kenton, Ohio; four brothers, Neal Hochstetler and Moses Hochstetler, both of East Earl, Pa., Menno Hochstetler, Nappanee, Ind., and Levi Hochstetler of Gordonville, Penna.

Funeral services were held at the John Kramer home by Bishop John Kramer and Bishop Tobe Detweiler.

MILLER, Allen, 1 year, Indiana Co., Pa.

son of Dan L. and Emma (Schlabach) Miller was fatally injured in a farm accident (see front page).

MILLER, Mrs. Leah, 53, Paradise R1, Pa.

died in Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital Tuesday October 9th. She had her first stroke Oct. 3rd in the morning and another one that evening. She was paralyzed on her left side and couldn't talk after her second stroke and was unconscious until she died. She was the wife of Levi Miller. Born in East Earl Twp., she was a daughter of David B. Fisher, of Kirkwood, and the late Arie (Lapp) Fisher. Surviving besides her husband and father, are the following children: Jonas Miller, Christiana R1; Amos Miller, Peach Bottom R1; Annie, wife of Eli S. Stoltzfus, Christiana R1; John, David, Ivan, and Arie Miller, all at home; and a foster daughter, Rebecca Yoder, wife of Amos Stoltzfus, St. Mary's County, Md. Also surviving are eight grandchildren; four brothers, Seth and Paul Fisher, both of Gordonville R1; Ezra Fisher, Lititz R1, and Ivan Fisher, Christiana R1; and two sisters, Rachel, wife of John K. Lapp, of Myerstown, and Rebecca, wife of Levi H. Fisher of Lancaster R4.

Funeral services were held by Amos L. Lapp and Bishop Amos S. Lapp; hymn at house read by Dea. Jacob Lapp; hymn at graveyard read by David Lapp; abschied by Emanuel Fisher. Burial was at the Georgetown Cemetery.

MILLER, Mary, infant, Middlebury, Indiana

daughter of Samuel and Mary (Lehman) Miller, died at 10:25 p.m. Wednesday, October 17, at the Goshen General Hospital. She was born that day at 5:15 a.m. Surviving with the parents are a sister, Molly Ann, at home; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elva Lehman, LaGrange R4, and Bishop and Mrs. Henry Miller, Middlebury R3.

Funeral services were held at the family home by Samuel Bontrager; burial was in the Naylor Cemetery.

RIEHL, Eli B., 75, Ronks R1, Pa.

was born Jan. 10, 1898, died at his home Oct. 27, 1973 at the age of 75 yr., 9 mo., 17 days, after an illness of several months of a heart condition. He was in the hospital twelve days in September, was brought home Oct. 1st, and was in bed after that. Born in East Lampeter Twp., he was a son of the late Menno and Mary (Baumgardner) Riehl. He was married to Sarah Lapp Dec. 14, 1920, who died Dec.

21, 1961, married second time to Mary M. Beiler March 12, 1963. He is survived by his widow; two sons, Jacob L., Bird-in-Hand R1, and Elmer L., New Holland R2; a daughter, Druscilla, wife of Simeon G. Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3; 20 grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Annie King, Wyoming, Del.; three brothers, Jesse B. and Isaac B., both of New Holland R2, and Abner B., Ronks R1; and a foster sister, Agnes, wife of John Lantz, Lebanon R1, Pa.

Funeral services were held at the home by Pre. Gideon Riehl and Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler; hymn "Mein lebensfaden lauft zu ende" by David Esh. Burial at Beilers Cemetery; hymn "Alle Menschen müssen sterben" by Dea. John Y. Beiler; abschied by Amos Smucker.

STUTZMAN, Pre. Noah D., 87, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died Tuesday morning, October 30, in his home near Farmerstown, after a four-month illness. He was born in Holmes County to Dan J. and Mary (Bontrager) Stutzman. His wife, Dena (Beachy) Stutzman, died in 1968. Surviving are four daughters and a son: Mrs. Roman D. (Edna) Miller and Mrs. Jacob A. (Mattie) Miller, both of Sugarcreek R2, Mrs. Mose J. (Lydia Ann) Nisley, Baltic R1, Miss Mary Stutzman of the home, and Roman N. of Topeka, Ind.; two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Mose H. (Susie) Kauffman of Plain City, Mrs. Enos A. (Mary) Miller of Baltic R1, Jacob D. of Amelia, Va., and Dan D. of Norwich, Ont.; 34 grandchildren and 100 great-grandchildren. Three sons, three sisters and a brother died previously.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Eli E. Hershberger. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

SWAREY, David M., 76, Allensville, Pa.

died early Friday morning, October 5, at his home. This was exactly ten weeks after he took sick. He spent four weeks in the hospital, but was at home again four weeks before his death. Doctors pronounced his sickness as cancer. He had no pain but was very weak. He was born in Mifflin County, a son of the late Christian and Sarah (Zook) Swarey. Surviving are his wife, Annie (Peachey) Swarey whom he married in November 1921; four sons and four daughters, Aaron, John, Stephen, Mrs. Kore N. (Elizabeth) Yoder, and Mrs. Benjamin D. (Sarah) Peachey, all of Allensville, Pre. David R. Swarey of Mifflintown, Mrs. Stephen (Annie) Kanagy Jr. and Mrs. Daniel H. (Mary) Byler, both of Belleville; four brothers and two sisters, Crist K. of Allensville, Menno D. of Lebanon Co., Israel of Mechanicsville, Md., Mrs. Isaac (Lydia) King of Leola, Pa., Jacob of Ronks, Pa., and Mrs. Amos (Leah) Peachey of Mifflintown, Pa.; and 49 grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his father in 1915, his mother in 1950, a small brother, Benuel, in 1902, a brother, Samuel in 1971, a brother, Benjamin in 1972, and three infant grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Kore Yoder home by Pre. Shem Swarey and Bishop Emanuel K. Peachey. Burial was in the Renno Cemetery.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

**SCHWARTZ, Katie L.**, 9 mo., Geneva R1, Ind.

daughter of William G. and Lizzie K. Schwartz, died October 14 at the Adams County Hospital after an illness of less than one day. She was born at the Van Wert, Ohio Hospital, Hanuary 18, 1973. Surviving are the parents, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Schwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Dan D. Schwartz. It was the first child in the family.

Funeral services were held October 17 at the parents' home; burial in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

**YODER, Lamar E.**, 17, Milford R2, Indiana

was killer in a farm accident Monday, October 22. (See front page.) His father, Earl Yoder, died just a year ago on October 6th. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Mary (Stutzman) Yoder; peternal grandparents, Harvey J. Yoders, Etna Green, Ind.; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Emma (Levi) Stutzman, Nappanee; two brothers, Lyle Dale and Harley Wayne, five sisters, Etta Fern, Lora Mae, Diane, Eva Kay and Sue, all at home.

Funeral services were largely attended at the Eldon Miller home on October 25th.

**YODER, Paul Enos**, 21, Hicksville, Ohio

was killed in an automobile accident October 13. The car burst into flames and he was pinned in and burned to death. He was born April 18, 1952, a son of Amos and the late Leona (Schrock) Yoder, and was married to Debbie Richie in March 1971. Surviving are his wife, a son, Kevin, age 2, his father and step mother; two sisters, and one brother, Mrs. Perry Yutzy, Mrs. James Miller and Amos Mark, all of Hicksville; three half brothers, Vernon, Lavern and Wayne, two half sisters, Marlene and Leanne, all at home.

Funeral services were held in the Amos Yoder home October 17th. Burial was in the Lost Creek Cemetery.

**YODER, Samuel U.**, 83, Salisbury, Pa.

was born March 31, 1890, died Oct. 24, 1973 at the age of 83 yrs., 6 mos., 23 days. He died of a stroke following a lengthy illness. He wasn't bed fast till the last two weeks. He was quite confused the last several years, but was worse the last year or so. He is survived by his wife, one son, Elmer of Grantsville, Md., two daughters, Mrs. Norman (Lena) Schrock of Oakland, Md., and Mary Ann at home; and one brother.

Funeral services were held at the Niverton church by Wm. Miller and Edward Nisly of Arthur, Illinois.

**ZOOK, David K.**, 74, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died Wednesday, October 3, at 7 p.m. at Lancaster General Hospital after a long illness. Born in Leacock Twp., he was a son of the late John F. and Rebecca (King) Zook. He was a retired farmer and in his retirement was a broom maker. Surviving is his widow, Hannah K. (Blank) Zook, three daughters and two sons: Miss Rebecca B. Zook, at home; Sarah, wife of Gideon Beiler, New Holland R2; Fannie, wife of Tobias Stoltzfus, Rebersburg; Daniel

B., Gordonville R1; and Amos B., Ronks R1. Also surviving are 34 grandchildren and two sisters: Annie, wife of Abram Ebersol, Gordonville R1 and Katie, wife of Jonathan Zook, Lancaster R4.

Funeral services were held by Pre. Joseph B. King and Bishop Amos E. King; hymn read by Dea. John Y. Beiler. Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

## BAPTISMS

Centre County, Pennsylvania

September 16, by Bishop Jacob M. Stoltzfus  
Ben, son of Amer and Fannie (Byler) Stoltzfus  
Sarah, dau. of Omer and Fannie (Byler) Stoltzfus

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Mt. Pleasant Mills District  
October 29, by D. L. Nisly  
Amos, son of Dan J. and Mottie (Beechy) Troyer  
Benjamin, son of Chris and Mary (Troyer) Schwartz  
Fannie, dau. of Harry M. and Sarah (Yoder) Troyer

Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Bill Byler District (East)  
October 7, by John E. Schlabach  
Andy, son of Albert and Lizzie (Miller) Kuhns  
Dan, son of Ervin E. and Mary (Byler) Miller  
Melvin, son of Emery C. and Ella (Coblentz) Byler  
Esther, dau. of Bishop Wm. and Mattie (Kurtz) Byler  
Betty, dau. of Joe and Maryann (Byler) Kuhns

Hartville, Ohio

West District  
Thomas, son of Leroy and Marie (Coblentz) Wagler  
Elizabeth, dau. of Wallace S. and Mattie (Troyer) Byler

Geauga County, Ohio

Steve Yoder District  
by John C. Yoder of Holmes County  
Barbara, dau. of John H. and Sadie Hershberger  
Milo Glick District  
Catherine, dau. of Bishop Milo and Elva Glick  
John J. Miller District, by Bishop Mahlon Yoder  
Barbara, dau. of Crist E. and Amanda Slabach  
Melvin Miller District, by Bishop Steve Yoder  
Crist, son of John J. M. and Susie Miller  
Crist, son of Mrs. Nannie Kauffman  
Anna, dau. of Crist E. and Esther Fisher  
Sarah, dau. of Pre. Albert M. and Katie Troyer  
Leah, dau. of John M. and Lydia Troyer

Andy M. Miller District  
Gideon, son of Milo M. Hershberger  
Wally, son of John S. C. Miller  
Ferdie, son of John S. C. Miller  
Allen, son of John S. C. Miller  
Levi, son of Sam J. Weaver  
Allen, son of Milo L. Mullet  
Linda, dau. of Sam J. Weaver  
Iva, dau. of Levi Wengerd

David D. Miller Jr. District  
Andy, son of Crist A. Byler  
Marvin, son of Eli Hosfetler  
Jonas Jr., son of Jonas A. Miller  
Mose, son of Lester M. Troyer

Allen Jr., son of Allen D. Miller  
 Enos D., son of Dan A. Miller  
 Danny D., son of Dan A. Miller  
 Savannah, son of Gid N. Wengerd  
 Edna, dau. of Ervin J. Miller  
 Mary Ellen, dau. of Lester M. Troyer  
 Eli Mullet District  
 Crist, son of Andy J. M. Miller  
 Sarah, dau. of Andy J. M. Miller

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Steve, son of Melvin and Mattie Yoder  
 Devon, son of Richard and Ada Lambricht  
 Susie, dau. of Amos and Elmina Yoder  
 Barbara, dau. of Ray and Lizzie Detweiler  
 Esther, dau. of Noah and Minnie Yoder  
 Ellen, dau. of Noah and Minnie Yoder  
 Ruth, dau. of Melvin and Anna Kauffman  
 Verna, dau. of Ervin and Edna Schlabach  
 Ruth, dau. of Joe and Mary Miller  
 Martha, dau. of William and Ada Byler  
 Mary, dau. of Ray and Emma Schlabach  
 Loretta, dau. of Paul and Anna Graber

#### Audrain County, Missouri

In three church districts in October  
 Jacob, son of Mahlon Stutzmans  
 Fannie, dau. of Joe B. Millers  
 Lena, dau. of Dea. Chrissie Gingerichs  
 Mary, dau. of Ezra J. Millers  
 Susana, dau. of Bishop Benedict L. Petersheims  
 Irene, dau. of Menno Millers  
 Amelia, dau. of Pre. Samuel M. Burkholders  
 Mattie, dau. of Jacob E. Petersheims

#### Johnson County, Iowa

October 21, by Bishop Truman Miller  
 Thomas, son of Alvin Miller  
 Harold, son of Joe Miller Jr.  
 Rose Mary, dau. of Mrs. Chester Ropp  
 Edna, dau. of Chris Yoder

#### Lakeside, Ontario, Canada

August 26  
 Martin, son of Abe and Nettie Hochstetler  
 Yost, son of Elmer and Annie Yoder  
 William, son of Levi B. Troyer  
 Rosie, dau. of John and Lydia Mast

#### ORDINATIONS

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Moses G. Lapp, 25, was ordained minister in the West District, October 13. He is a son of Levi Z. and Annie (Glick) Lapp. His wife, Sarah, is a dau. of Bishop Isaac H. and Mattie (Lapp) Zook. With him in the lot were Levi King, Leroy Lantz, Elam Lapp, Benueel Smoker, Israel Esh, and Emanuel Kauffman.

#### Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Dan L. Miller, son of Mrs. Katie Wengerd of Middlefield, Ohio, was ordained minister in the Ambrose District, by Bishop Enos E. Fisher. There were seven in the lot.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Jacob S. Swarey was ordained minister in the Old Order Valley Church, September 4. With him in the lot were Daniel R. Peachy, Jonas C. Peachy, and Henry Peight.

David E. Zook was ordained minister in the Byler District, September 6. With him in the lot were Eli D. Peachey, Elmer L. Peachey, and Urie Z. Zook.

#### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

William Mullet was ordained bishop in the North District, October 16.

Jesse Mullet was ordained minister in the South District, October 28.

#### Wayne County, Ohio

Milan Yoder, son of Joas and Dena Yoder, Apple Creek R2, was ordained bishop, October 7.

John L. Troyer, Apple Creek R1, was ordained deacon, October 13.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Floyd E. Troyer was ordained minister in Eli E. Hershberger West District, September 30.

Robert Schlabach, son of Bishop Roy L. and Iva (Mast) Schlabach, was ordained minister in Berlin North East District, September 30.

William J. Troyer, son of Joas A. and Mary (Yoder) Troyer was ordained bishop in Bunker Hill South District, October 3.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Calvin Lambricht, 46, Topeka R1, was ordained bishop in the Topeka District, October 6. He is a son of Tobias and Lizzie (Troyer) Lambricht. His wife, Ida, is a daughter of the late Chris M. and Sarah (Schrock) Miller.

Jacob Diener, Shipshewana R1, was ordained minister in the John Troyer South District, October 13. He is formerly from Illinois and is married to Mattie Marie, daughter of the late Sam J. and Katie Miller.

Clarence Wingard, 42, Shipshewana R2, was ordained minister in the Perry L. Bontrager Barrens District, October 13. He is a son of Joe and Fannie (Miller) Wingard. His wife, Edna, is a daughter of Milt and the late Mary (Miller) Otto.

Elmer Miller, 30, Topeka R2, was ordained minister in the Ervin Lehman Clearspring District, Oct. 13. He is a son of Dea. Moses and Anna Mae (Miller) Miller. His wife, Katie, is a daughter of Neal M. and Saloma (Christner) Hochstedler.

William E. Bontrager, 33, LaGrange R.R., was ordained minister in the Dan M. Hochstedler South East LaGrange District. He is a son of Bishop Ervin R. and Wilma (Miller) Bontrager. His wife, Lettie, is a daughter of the late Harvey and Mary (Troyer)

David Miller, 25, was ordained minister in the Daniel J. Bontrager Clearspring District. He is a son of Enos and Anna Mae (Bontrager) Miller. His wife, Saraetta, is a daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth (Frey) Hochstedler.

Ordinations to be continued next month



OCTOBER						
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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

October truly brought its bright blue weather week after week, cool nights and warm sunny days. A good rain on the 2nd and a heavy rain the 29th, with only a light shower in between, a total for the month of 3.9 inches, enough to start the fall seedings. Corn is being brought in and shredded as loft space is available, crop is heavy. Soybean harvest is ahead of normal schedule due to the almost perfect weather, with market price up again at \$5.00 @ bu. and over. Grade A milk in cans is 7.00 Cwt. We had several light frosts to date but no killing frost yet, low temperature for the month was 34 degrees on the 18th and again the 22nd.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

October was dry here except the first week and the last three days, a little over 2 inches total rainfall. We had frost on the 18th, a whole lot of beautiful fall days, "Bright Blue Weather." Corn was a very good crop in this section, it is almost ready for the husker-shredder. Seeding is about finished. The farmers are catching up with odds and ends, getting ready for winter. One wonders if we'll have more snow than we had the last few years. In two years we had no more than a two inch snow at any time and only very few of those. Our forests are exceptionally pretty this fall with golden red and yellow leaves mixed with evergreens.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 3.1 inches.

The farm markets are steady with last month except steers have declined again. Price for fat cattle is \$35 to \$45 Cwt. Potatoes are stronger to \$1.00 Cwt. higher.

by Elam S. Beiler

There was still some very nice third and fourth cutting hay put in this month. It was very nice as we had good drying weather most of the month. Wheat and fall grains made slow progress until latter part of month. There was very little corn left standing for the pheasant and rabbit hunters. Most people were done early as it was a good harvest month. Lots of nice corn fodder was baled this year as most of it was roto beat and then baled, although a few farmers still put it on shocks and some of that was put through the fodder shredder. We are still having

tomatoes and other garden things as we had no hard frost yet. A few farmers are starting to strip tobacco, others are hauling manure and plowing.

by Ammon F. Fisher

We had our first killing frost October 17. Total rainfall was 2.9 inches, with 2.4 on October 29th. Farmers had very nice weather to get fall crops in. October was very mild, the last three days with wind and cloudy weather. Good-bye to barefoot days till next summer.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens Nissley

Weather for October in general was mild and sunny, dry toward the last of the month, which made plowing tough. Cool around the 19th, some rain. Coldest for the month was the morning of the 31st, 28 degrees, with a heavy frost. It rained on the 30th, so plowing goes better again. Farmers are also cutting wood, and husking corn which is a fair crop. Cows are still on pasture.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

We had lots of October's bright blue weather. Not much rain fell until the 28th, 3.7 inches total for the month. Still no heavy frosts, although we had some light ones, of which the first was on the 19th. Corn seems to be a good crop this year again, and new corn out of the fields sold for \$48 to \$50 per ton. A lot of soybeans were raised locally and yielded good this year, from 35 to 50 bu. per acre. They sell for around \$5.00 per bu.

Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

October was on the dry side until the storms on the 29th when we had about 5 in. of rain in 24 hours. A lot of corn was picked this month, still a lot to pick yet. We had frost 2 or 3 mornings around the middle of the month. Some windy weather the last few weeks, but no freezing temperatures.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

October's bright blue weather seemed warmer than usual. The temperature range was from a high of 82 degrees on the afternoon of Oct. 4 to a low of 34 degrees on the morning of Oct. 22. We had no real killing frost in Oct. Summer flowers were still blooming when November came in, also some vegetables like string beans and limas could still be had from the garden. Rainfall for the month was 3.3 inches, with rain on five different days. We had rain and storm on the 29th. The morning of Oct. 30, the Lord displayed His rainbow, which looks so pretty in the fall when the trees are in their fall splendor. Farmers had nice weather to harvest corn and sow wheat. There is still corn to be picked. Some farmers are making alfalfa hay.

Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

It was a nice October, on the dry side, nice to get crops in. We had about 1/2 in. of rain on the 2nd, then we had hardly any until the 29th when we had 2 5/8 inches in a short time. It was 28 degrees on the 21st, but it didn't do much damage because it was dry, I think. We still have some tomatoes.

Winfield, Pa., by Mrs. David L. Yoder

Nice weather, temperature about 60. Health is fair. Husking corn and house cleaning is on the go. Men folks are busy with carpentry work, our son-in-law and daughter are putting up new buildings and expect to move in this fall yet.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during October was fair and dry, with foggy mornings. Total rainfall was 2½ inches, most of it fell the 29th or after. Our first frost for the season was on the 18th, but had no killing frost yet by November 1st. Flowers are still blooming. Garden produce was very plentiful this year except for strawberries. Potatoes are very big and high in price. Apples are scarce. It seems our seasons are later than they formerly were. It warms up later in the spring, with frosts in early May, and it gets cold later in the fall, with no hard frost till early Nov., and cattle in pasture till almost December.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had a lot of nice weather in October, with clear blue skies, also rain on the 2, 5, 17, 18, & 29. We had a lot of rain with thunderstorms in afternoon and early evening. We had our first killing frost on the 22nd. Farmers are finished filling silo, also quite a lot of corn was picked, but still quite a bit to pick at the end of the month. Corn is a good crop. Leaves were mostly off the trees by the end of the month. Deer seem to be plentiful again, also a few rabbits, turkeys, and grouse. Milk price for Sept. was \$8.44 for 3.5 test.

Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

October was a very beautiful month, much of October's bright blue weather. Many nice flocks of wild geese were seen. October was not very cold, frost in some places on Oct. 21, but we still have some pole limas that are not frozen. October had about 2 weeks of very foggy mornings lasting until nearly noon. Very little rainfall until 28-29 we had a good 3 in. Before that it was a little dry for spading garden. Now farmers are plowing. Corn husking is done and was a good crop.

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather through October has been quite mild. There has been some rain, but due to not being at home I have no definite amount measured. On October 17th snow was seen in the air, but none on the ground. From Oct. 19th through the 27th we had excellent fall weather, and the bright blue Oct. skies. Lots of corn husking has been done. Oct. 13th we had the first killing frost, and that only in the low places. In higher places the killing frost came sometime later. Oct. 28th to the end was damp and rainy. In the P. M. of the 29th we had quite a bit of thunder, colder since, but no snow.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

October was a nice month, our first killing frost was October 19th. Corn was a good crop this year, and most all gardens produced well. An outstanding price at the Harvest Sale was a Black Walnut Cake for \$27.25. The last three days in October were rainy.

Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

October had about 3 inches of rain, of which 2½ in. came in the last four days. It was getting rather dry, although the grass and fall seeding were still nice and green. We had some light frost, but not a killing one yet. There are still green pepper plants and tomato vines in the garden. Corn is a good crop, and many are done picking, but still some to pick.

Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The forepart of October was beautiful corn-husking weather, with a few light showers. We had our first killing frost on Oct. 21, and then mostly in the low lands. The last six days of the month it rained day and night. The ponds and creeks are overflowing. The corn crop was good and of good quality. Some people are still eating tomatoes out of their gardens. Fall crops are looking good and hearty. Cattle and hog prices dropped a little at local auctions, while feed and supplement prices are still on the rise.

Crawford County, Pa., by Mrs. Menno Fisher

In the middle of October we had about 10 days of beautiful summer-like weather, perfect for the farmers to do some fall plowing or to pick corn. A few have sowed wheat. The last week we had rain every day. We had hard frost several mornings the week of the 22. Feed prices are slowly dropping.

Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

October has been a beautiful month, and many people have taken advantage of it. There were three corn huskings for the young folks so far. Corn is plentiful and has matured very well. Quite a bit of second cutting hay made, also clover and trefoil seed made. Apples are scarce and high priced. Eggs remain at a high level.

Hartville, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

The month of October was very nice, with not much wind, not like we had some other years. With about three inches of rain, but no rain for ten days which gives the farmers a chance to put their crops away. Soybeans and corn are a good crop again, which gives plenty of reason to be thankful for the many blessings that the Lord has given us. There seems to be a lot of corn raised around here. I know one man has 130 A. of corn and 30 A. of soybeans. I remember yet, when we lived in Kansas in the year 1908 my dad put out 70 acres of corn with a one row planter called a lister, with four horses hitched to it. It was planted between two ridges to hold moisture. He had to start planting as soon as he could get in the ground to get those seventy acres planted. I remember he used to wear an overcoat to keep warm. Now if some farmers would have that many acres to plant you would most likely see about three tractors in the field.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

September weather has been cool and dry, although the forepart was extremely warm. Then a sudden change that dropped temperatures resulted in a lot of colds and flu. A rain of 1 and 7/10 in. the last few days soaked things up good.

The forepart of October has been wet and cool, then most of the month was unusually nice and warm. Most days were shirt sleeve weather and very little rain, until the last four days we've had 2 to 3 in. of rain and somewhat cooler. Only a few light frosts, no killing frost yet. Farmers had good husking weather, also good for fall seeding. More wheat has sowed than usual.

by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had a very nice October, but the last week we had 3 in. of rain. Some farmers are finished husking corn.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

We have very much to be thankful for in the month of October. The beginning was cool and dry enough that corn and beans dried very well. We had our first frost on Oct. 16. After that it was warm, up in the 70's. Most of the beans and some corn are off. Beans are around \$5 a bu. Corn is \$2.10 a bu. Harvest stopped on the 27th because we had rain on the 27, 29, 30, & 31. Apples are selling from \$7 to \$9 a bu.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

We had some rain the first week in October, then we had beautiful, sunshiny days for 3 weeks. Some said we had our Indian summer then. We had rain three days in a row at the end of October, and it really cooled off. A lot of rye and wheat was put in, silos filled, and a lot of corn and soybeans are out. We had our first killing frost on Oct. 21.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

October was very nice. Sept. 29, Oct. 13 and the 28 we had all day rains. We haven't had a killing frost. Cool mornings, but nice days. Up to 60 and 70 in the daytime. A lot of corn was husked by hand, still some to husk.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

Bright, blue, and sunny would well describe the weather for October. We had very little rain, excellent corn husking weather. Corn is good, excepting the spots that were too wet when planted. Wheat fields look extra nice.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

We had many sunny and warm days with the beautiful blue skies of October. We do enjoy the many colored leaves which are so colorful this time of the year. Corn husking has started with a seemingly good crop. Because of no real killing frost yet, the ears break off quite hard. Three families moved to our settlement in the month, namely, Sam D. Millers from New Glarus, Wis., John Troyers from Fortuna, Mo., and Marvin Schmuckers from Medford, Wisconsin.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather for October is rather on the dry side so far. We had a little over 1½ in. of rain. We had our first killing frost on the 19th. People have finished sowing wheat and are husking corn. Some wheat is up and looks very nice. The fall leaves are at their peak and are a beautiful sight. They are falling fast after an all night and all day drizzling rain on Oct. 27 & 28. Weddings are plentiful.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas Bontrager

Lots of bright blue weather in October. A nice drizzle Oct. 28, 29, 30. Corn is nearly all husked that is to be husked by hand. Machine husking has also started. Corn is a good crop and is well dried. We had only one killing frost. Plenty of tomatoes and cabbage in the gardens yet.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

The beginning and end of October were quite rainy, but we had lots of October's bright blue weather. Very favorable for the corn harvest. Most of the corn is in the crib in our locality, a very good crop. Late sown wheat is coming up, but the rains at the end of the month helped. Early sown wheat grew very fast and has good height.

Southeastern Holmes Co., by John L. Yoder

October was wet and cool to start, followed by October's bright blue weather. Rain again the last 3 days and slightly cooler. Very little shock corn is husked yet; stalk husking is coming to a close. Quality of corn seems to be better than a year ago and cribs are filling up. Late sowed wheat is just coming up.

Western Holmes Co., by Monroe A. Weaver

October was a beautiful fall month. Ideal to get the corn in the cribs, no rain for over 2 weeks. We had 1½ in. rain in the last few days. Corn is a very good crop and good quality. Livestock prices leveled off at a good price.

Centreville, Mich., by Tobe LeRoy Yoder

The weather for October, the first week was rainy. The week of the 7th we had rain and warm. The next two weeks were nice, then the week of the 28th more rain.

Mio, Mich., by Melvin Gingerich

The month of October was real nice and sunny, with the exception of a few snow flurries and about 1½ in. of rain. Leaves were very colorful the first few weeks of the month, but not for as long as usual on account of the frosts and rain. Most of the corn in the area is husked and in cribs, although we still have a lot to husk. Farmers are still plowing as most of the plowing is done in the fall up here. Apples seem to be plentiful, but are selling from \$3.50 to \$6.00 a bu. It seems this is the season for canning chickens and also salmon. The salmon move inland to the rivers to spawn in the fall. Some from here went to Alpena and bought some after they were caught. They weighed from 10 to 24 pounds apiece, and are very good eating.

Camden, Mich., by Levi R. Graber

The weather here has been unusually nice for October, with rain on the 2, 4, 30, & 31, making a total of about 2½ in. Corn is almost all husked. We had a few light frosts around the 20th. Still have tomatoes to eat, the first day of Nov. Farmers are plowing now since the rains. The Amos Yoder family of Steuben County, Ind. have moved into our community on Sept. 13.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

October was warm and dry. There was no killing frost during the month. We had very beautiful days and very ideal weather to put corn and beans in. Farmers have been very busy. The last five days of the month brought two thirds of the total rainfall which was 2.02 inches. Total rainfall for the year thus far amounts to 31.2 inches. Statics for the month are: High, 83 on the 10th, low, 33 on the 17th, mean, 58.1; rainfall, 2.02, snow, none. There were 15 clear days, 11 partly cloudy, 5 cloudy, 6 rainy days, and one thunderstorm occurred.

LaGrange County, Ind., by Anna Eash

We have heard very few complaints about October's beautiful weather. Most days the weather was just right. Temperatures were in the 40's in mornings, and in 70's during the day. A few light frosts. Not much rainfall during October. Men are busy husking and shredding, too dry for plowing at present. Presently it is somewhat cloudy.

Nappanee, Ind., by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

This community has seen one of the most beautiful months of October we have experienced in recent years. Balmy days, clear blue skies, colorful trees. All this and much more from a merciful Creator! Lawns are still lush and green, and are being mowed occasionally. Raking leaves is high on the list at present; since the mowing tempo is over with. Farmers have a lot of corn husked already. Soybean harvesting is over. However, the month is leaving us with rainy, foggy days and cloudy skies.

By Joni D. Gingerich

The weather for the month of October, in general, was very nice with a lot of sunshine. The highest temperature recorded by Miles weather station was 79, and the lowest was 30. We had several light frosts, but no killing frost. It froze a slight bit of ice one morning, but it didn't seem to freeze any vegetation. A lot of tomatoes are still green. A field of late planted corn still has some green leaves in it, which we very seldom see in this area on the first of November. The amount of rainfall was 3.5 in. The last five days were cloudy and misty with a slow drizzling rain at times. Corn is about half harvested, and is a real good crop. There are quite a few farmers through this part of the state that raise corn for the market only. They may have several hundred A.. of corn but very little livestock, while others have more. Corn was of the best quality this year. Soy beans are about all harvested. They were also a good crop and of very good quality. There was quite a bit of wheat sown in this area this fall, and it mostly

looks good. Some of the latest sowing is a little small yet, but looks real nice. Potatoes were a rather short crop this year on account of dry weather through August and September. About all vegetables were plentiful all summer long in their seasons. Oats and hay also yielded good this year. Taking it all in all, we had a good year so far.

Kokomo, Ind., by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

October was an exceptionally nice month. Farmers have been very busy gathering grain, which is a heavy crop. Some plowing is being done. We had our first frost on the 17th with temperature at 36° but hardly any damage. Several light frosts and chilly weather since, but gardens are still producing. The last week of the month was very damp and rainy. Trees are changing color.

Milroy, Ind., by John R. Yutzey

October was nice fall weather. First and last weeks had cloudy weather, otherwise beautiful with nice warm temperatures. Our first frost was Oct. 17. We have nice moisture at present, no excess rain to make it muddy. Most of the soybeans are harvested with good yields, some above 50 bu. per acre. About ¾ of corn harvested with good yields, from 100 - 150 bu. per acre. Not much fall plowing done yet.

Allen County, Ind., by Mrs. John Schmucker

October was a nice fall month, more on the dry side except for the last few days. We had several nice rains which makes plowing go much better. We had our first frost on the 16th, which didn't really hurt too much. We are still having a few tomatoes. Beef business has slowed a little and wonder if it will some more, as some people are starting to eat horsemeat. There is a market going to open in Ft. Wayne to sell horse meat across the counter.

Elkhart County, Ind., by Sam K. Stoltzfus

October brought us rain, very little sunshine the first week. Second week was sunny during the day, but chilly at night. Almost all day rain on the 12th and 13th. Light frost on the 17th. Real good corn harvesting weather. Last week in October was very nice sunny weather.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather in October was very nice fall weather. We had several days of cloudy and nice showers, but no heavy rains. It delayed bean harvest for a few days at a time, but I think beans are all harvested, and corn well under way. Both are a good crop. We had a few nice rains to make lawns and grass fields look nice, but not enough to start the tile to run. We have had a few light frosts, but not enough to hurt tomato plants and other tender plants, altho' weather has been a little cool.

Marshfield, Mo., by David A. Kinsinger

Wonderful growing weather for fall grains and pasture. No killing frosts yet. Late gardens are real nice here. A few miles south, they were cut up by some large hail the evening of Oct. 26. Time to catch up on carpenter jobs and get firewood.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Guthrie, Ky., by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for October was very favorable for farmers. Enough rain to get small grain off to a good start, and quite a bit of clear, sunny weather. Very little corn to harvest anymore, and a lot of beans are combined already. Corn was a good crop, with beans somewhat varied, mostly due to the planting conditions. We have such hard rains at times and germination was poor on some seed. Beans \$4.55, corn \$2.10.

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

October was on the wet side, but had mild temp. On the 10th we had 5 in. of rain. With the ground already soaked, it caused the highest flooding in this area in about 30 to 40 years, about 12 to 18 in. higher than the one in Sept. The heavy rains weren't statewide, so the big rivers weren't affected so much. Very little wheat was planted before the 20th, and most of that had to be replanted. Farmers didn't lose much time the last ten days and most of the wheat is now planted, and a big per cent of the milo is cut. Milo was a good crop in quantity, but a little discolored and light in quality.

Jamesport, Mo., by Amos W. Yoder

Our local paper states that nearly 5000 acres of soybeans and corn were flooded over the weekend of Oct. 13, in and around Lock Springs area. That is several miles south of the Amish settlement. The ground has dried off since the middle, from having nice sunny days. Many beans have been harvested and corn husking has started. We had our first frost on Oct. 30.

Audrain County, Mo., by Samuel D. Beachy

October was clear from the 13th to the 26th. Forepart of the month was wet. We had one light frost on the 30th, no killing frost yet. Tractor farmers have been busy combining beans. Crop is fairly good. Corn husking and plowing have started. Sorghum cooking is closing up, selling for 40¢ a lb.

Pike County, Mo., by George Yoder

No killing frost yet. We had about 6 in. rain during the first twelve days of the month, too wet to work in the fields a week or so. Then we had two weeks of nice clear October weather, which made grass and meadows green up again. We had 2½ in. rain again since the 26th. Corn is dry enough to husk and a good crop. Wheat is all sown and has chance for a good start.

Anabel, Mo., by Mrs. Abe Y. Bornreger

Due to our late, wet spring our oat crop has been very poor. Our corn crop is fair. We have had quite a bit of rain again this fall, and some report sprouting on the stalk and some moldy. Hay was a good crop. October has been mostly a nice sunny month; which gave farmers time to thrash clover, which also had started to sprout, and fill silo. A few have started to plow. We had our first frost, a light one, Oct. 30 and again Nov. 1, very little damage.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

We had about one inch of rain for the month of October. The first week was cloudy and damp, then changed to nice wonderful October weather. Nice and sunny most days. Beans were harvested, and corn picking started, also by hand picking. Beans and corn were a good crop.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

October had nice weather, a few cloudy days, not much rainfall. One week it rained a light shower about every day. Then the week of the 21st was nice sunshine weather. Saturday, the 27th, it got cloudy and turned colder. Sunday, 28th, we had rain in the morning. It turned to big snow flurries, but as the temperature was 34, they melted as they hit the ground. People are busy shredding corn, some are husking to crib. We still haven't had a killing frost. Some people are wishing for one so the corn dries faster. We can still plow (Oct. 29).

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

We had dry until the last week of October. Since Saturday night, the 27th, we've had ¾ inches of rain. Most people are done picking corn. Farmers are plowing.

Milverton, Ont., by Israel Kuepfer

We had a lovely fall, excellent to get the plowing and other fall work done. The past few days it was rainy and windy.

Mt. Elgin, Ont., by Mrs. Wm. D. Kramer

We have been having beautiful fall weather, warm days as a rule, very little cool weather, it was 70 degrees. Some rains, but not really wet. No killing frost, flowers are still blooming nicely. We had some very foggy mornings, then came sunny and warm. Corn husking is about over, some plowing done. We had quite a number of States visitors the last two months, which are always welcome.

Tavistock, Ont., by Emanuel Peachey

October started out with cloudy and damp days, but soon changed to bright and warm weather. This lasted about a week, then it turned cooler again and we had showers off and on the next few days. On the 20th it cleared and we had cold nights with very clear, warm days until the following Friday, then it clouded again. Saturday night changed to rain and a cold east wind. This continued for several days, now this morning it isn't raining and the wind has changed directions. Maybe the corn husking and plowing can soon go on again.

Norwich, Ont., by Daniel L. Stutzman

Although we had several hard frosts and light showers, October was generally quite warm and very dry until the weekend of the 28th, when we received over 4½ in. of rain and is raining again. The corn harvest is practically completed with a good yield, and the corn exceptionally dry for cribbing. Fall plowing has started and should be easier now since the rains.

### Lucknow, Ont., by Edward Gingerich

We had lovely fall weather through October, but a bit dry until the middle of the month it grew cooler and we had some rain. It warmed up again until the last week we had rain almost every day. The ground is very wet, making it difficult to haul big loads of corn. Some of the people are done husking and started fall plowing, while others still have quite a bit to husk. Corn was a very good crop. Mosie J. Shetlers moved to this community from Belleville, Ontario, on Sept. 6. We now have seven families.

### Grey County, Ont., by Noah Stutzman

Our dry spell was broken on Oct. 13 after dark, when we had strong winds with minor damage to roofs, etc. We also had some hail and lots of rain. It rained the biggest part of four days, which brought us approximately 4 in. of rain. Since then we have plenty of rain, no snow yet to speak of. Farmers are busy plowing and getting in wood, etc. Apples are scarce and No. 1 are selling from \$7 to \$8 a bu.

### Wroxeter, Ont., by Martha M. Miller

We've sure had fall like weather in October so far. The first week we had real nice weather. From there on we had rain in between, but the third week it rained most of the time. On the 22nd was a lovely day, so that we could rake the yard. However, it has turned cold since, and almost feels like winter at times. Leaves are all off the trees and garden things are all stored inside, what we could. Lots of people are plowing; some are done. Corn is all husked, some have it in stacks. Apples aren't too plentiful this fall and are high priced what they have around. They are as high as \$7.75 a bu. Meat has dropped some here, but I don't know how long it will last.

## MARRIAGES

### Dover, Delaware

Mast, Beachy - Wayne, son of Henry Y. and Miriam Mast, and Wilma, daughter of Abe and Barbara Beachy, October 18, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peight, Kanagy - Ezra, son of Samuel and Sarah Peight, and Leah, daughter of Ezra D. and Lavina Kanagy, October 23, by Bishop Abe Hostetler.

### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Kinsinger, Yoder - Aaron, son of Abe S. and Katie (Boiler) Kinsinger, and Ada, daughter of Elmer S. and Lucy (Lichty) Yoder, October 21, by Bishop Bennie A. Yoder.

Zook, Lee - Bonnie, son of Amos S. and Annie (Slaubaugh) Zook, and Nancy, daughter of Dan and Lavina (Hostetler) Lee, October 28, by Bishop Edward Wisly of Illinois.

### Geauga County, Ohio

Glick, Slaubaugh - Daniel, son of Bishop Milo and Elva Glick, and Betty, daughter of John and Verna Slaubaugh.

### Geauga County, Ohio

Detweiler, Wengerd - John, son of Crist N. and Sarah C. (Miller) Detweiler, and Ida, daughter of Gid N. and Bertha U. (Byler) Wengerd, September 6.

Kurtz, Gingerich - John Henry, son of Gid J. and Elmina E. (Miller) Kurtz, and Sarah, daughter of Noah N. Gingerich, September 13.

Mullet, Weaver - Noah M., son of Milo L. and Amanda (Troyer) Mullet, and Lizzie, daughter of Mrs. Mary and the late Amon J. Weaver, September 13.

Yoder, Yoder - Mahlon, son of Pre. Dan E. and Anna J. (Miller) Yoder, and Fannie, daughter of Levi L. and Katie M. (Miller) Yoder, September 13.

Byler, Hershberger - Allen, son of Wm. J. Bylers, and Anne, daughter of Pre. Neal C. and Leah Hershberger, September 11.

Hershberger, Miller - Noah, son of Widow Lydia Hershberger, and Anna, daughter of Monroe S. and Lydia Miller, September 18.

Kauffman, Miller - Joe, son of Widow Nannie Kauffman, and Sarah, daughter of Rudy A. and Emma Miller, September 20.

Hostetler, Miller - Widower John M. Hostetler of Middlefield, and Widow Mrs. Noah A. (Lydia) Miller of Parkman, September 27.

Yoder, Weaver - John, son of Homer Yoder, and Minnie, daughter of Jerry Weaver, October 18.

Shmucker, Miller - Dan, son of Joe Schmucker, and Ada, daughter of Melvin L. Miller, October 18.

Miller, Byler - Enos, son of Dan A. Miller, and Nettie, daughter of Mrs. Reuben R. Byler, Oct. 25.

Shrock, Hostetler - Ervin Shrock of Arthur, Ill., and Sara, daughter of Pete and Sara (Gingerich) Hostetler of Shedd Rd., Middlefield, October 25.

Hershberger, Coblenz - Gideon, son of Milo Hershberger, and Margaret, daughter of Abe Coblenz, November 1.

Troyer, Miller - Mose, son of Lester Troyer, and Edna, daughter of Ervin Miller, November 1.

Detweiler, Borntrager - Andy, son of Crist and Sara (Miller) Detweiler, and Irene, daughter of Sol and Anna (Byler) Borntrager, Newcomb Rd., Middlefield, November 1.

### Wayne County, Ohio

Miller, Hershberger - Atlee, son of David A. Miller of Millersburg R5, and Mabel, daughter of Isaac and Katie (Mast) Hershberger of Apple Creek R2, September 13.

Brenneman, Miller - Alvin, son of Bishop Simon G. and Sadie Brenneman of Ashland, Ohio, and Katie, daughter of Bishop Henry J. and Esther (Weaver) Miller of Fredericksburg, September 20, by Bishop Sol Weaver.

Yoder, Hochstetler - Abe, son of Andy A. and Nettie (Weaver) Yoder, and Esther, daughter of Eli E. and Ida (Yoder) Hochstetler, October.

Mast, Hochstetler - Levi, son of Sam L. and Sarah (Yoder) Mast, and Lydian, daughter of Eli E. and Ida (Yoder) Hochstetler, October.



## MARRIAGES, Continued

## Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Miller – Lester, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond S. Miller of Mt. Hope, and Verna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi C. Miller of Millersburg R2, Sept. 6.

Yoder, Hershberger – Jonas, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Yoder of Baltic, and Mable, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hershberger of Baltic R1, Sept. 6.

Schlabach, Bowman – David, son of Alvin and Mary (Miller) Schlabach, and Mary, daughter of Dea. Sam and Verna (Yoder) Bowman, September 20.

Kauffman, Burkholder – Atlee, son of Nelson Kauffmans, and Ella, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Miller) Burkholder, September 22.

Coblentz, Yoder – Ben, son of Willis and Ida (Troyer) Coblentz, and Arie, daughter of Solly and Ada (Mast) Yoder, Sept. 27, by Bishop Jacob Mast.

Byler, Raber – Daniel, son of Jake J. and Katie G. (Detweiler) Byler of Geauga County, and Mattie, daughter of David M. and Nettie (Kurtz) Raber of Sugar Creek R2, September 6, by Bishop Elmer A. Miller of Geauga County.

Troyer, Miller – Roy, son of John N. and Verna (Yoder) Troyer, and Alma, daughter of Andy J.B. and Lizzie (Hershberger) Miller, October 4.

Yoder, Miller – Dan, son of Eli D. and Sarah (Burkholder) Yoder, and Mary, daughter of Melvin A. and Mary (Miller) Miller, October 11.

Miller, Troyer – Jonas, son of Mose S. Miller, and Myrna, daughter of Ben A. and Mable (Beachy) Troyer, Saturday, October 13.

Miller, Miller – Peter, son of Abe B. and Annie (Erb) Miller, and Annie, daughter of Mose A. and Mattie (Raber) Miller, October 18.

Yoder, Miller – Nelson, son of Eli D. and Sarah (Burkholder) Yoder, and Mary, daughter of Melvin A. and Mary (Miller) Miller, October 18, by Bishop Jacob J. Mast.

Troyer, Schrock – Attlee, son of Mose A. and Susie (Raber) Troyer, and Sevilla, daughter of Levi N. and Clara (Miller) Schrock, October 25.

Yoder, Yoder – Jonas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel A. Yoder of Baltic R1, and Ada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Yoder of Baltic R1, October 25.

Mast, Raber – Alvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli E. Mast of Berlin, and Esther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. Raber of Millersburg R3, October 25.

Bontrager, Coblentz – Jonas, son of Bishop Jonas N. and Louella (Yoder) Bontrager, and Barbara Ann, daughter of Levi R. and Clara (Yoder) Coblentz, October 25, by Bishop Jonas N. Bontrager.

Byler, Yoder – Joe Byler of Geauga County, and Susie, daughter of Dan W. and Annie (Schrock) Yoder, November 8.

## Allen County, Indiana

Schwartz, Zehr – Peter N., son of Noah A. and Barbara (Schwartz) Schwartz of Montgomery, Mich., and Marie, daughter of David P. and Anna (Wagler) Zehr of Spencerville, Ind., September 30, by Bishop John Graber.

## Wayne County, Ohio

Troyer, Weaver – Aden, son of Jake R. and Fannie Troyer of Fredericksburg R2, and Clara, daughter of Mrs. Eli F. (Edna) Weaver of Dalton R2, October 11, by Bishop Isaac Miller.

Miller, Swartzentruber – Wayne, son of Roy M. and Katie (Miller) Miller, and Sarah, daughter of Raymond L. & Susan (Yoder) Swartzentruber, Oct. 25.

Troyer, Yoder – Marvin, son of Nelson A. and Mattie (Kauffman) Troyer, and Mary, daughter of Melvin J. and Mattie (Weaver) Yoder, November 7.

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Yoder, Miller – Dewayne, son of Min. Menno N. and Alice (Beachy) Yoder, and Wilma, daughter of Joni and Susie (Bontrager) Miller, September 12, by Bishop Abe A. Yoder.

Bontrager, Miller – Amos, son of Levi W. and Ruby (Miller) Bontrager, and Elsie, daughter of Urias U. and Buelah (Miller) Miller, September 20, by Bish. Joni B. Miller.

Otto, Lehman – Vernon, son of Milton and the late Mary (Miller) Otto, and Mary, daughter of Min. Daniel and Fannie (Troyer) Lehman, September 20.

Schrock, Eash – Ervin, son of Bishop Andy and Katie (Petersheim) Schrock, and Esther, daughter of Eli and Polly (Miller) Eash.

Schrock, Miller – William, son of Sam J. and Anna (Bontrager) Schrock, and Loretta, daughter of Lloyd and Anna Mae (Miller) Miller, September 27.

Troyer, Helmuth – Dennis, son of Howard and Erma (Yoder) Troyer of Shipshewana, and Dorothy Ann, daughter of Andrew and Lovina (Schwartz) Helmuth, September 27.

Lehman, Miller – Ora, son of the late Daniel and Mary (Miller) Lehman, and Lorene, daughter of Lloyd and Anna Mae (Miller) Miller, October 4.

Lehman, Miller – Daniel, son of the late Levi F. and Susie (Yoder) Lehman, and Marlene, daughter of Joe B. Jr. and Mary (Eash) Miller, October 11.

Yoder, Miller – William, son of Noah Yoders of Arthur, Illinois, and Lizzie, daughter of Ben C. and Katie (Glick) Miller, October 11.

Wengerd, Hostetler – Allen, son of Joe and Clara (Herschberger) Wengerd, and Joan Arlene, daughter of Ervin and Lydia (Raber) Hostetler in October.

Miller, Beachy – Melvin Ray, son of the late Eli A. and Annie (Bontrager) Miller, and Irene, daughter of Ammon and Ida (Miller) Beachy in October.

Bontrager, Hochstedler – Richard, son of Harley E. and Orpha (Lambright) Bontrager, and Erma, daughter of Amos and Edna (Weaver) Hochstedler in October.

Miller, Bontrager – Glen, son of Roy and Ida (Lehman) Miller, and Rosanna, daughter of Elmer M. and Katie (Eash) Bontrager, October 16.

Miller, Slabach – Lloyd, son of Obie and Ruby (Miller) Miller, and Betty Fern, daughter of Ervin and Clara (Yoder) Slabach, October 18, by Bishop Alton Bontrager.

### Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Hilty – Emanuel H., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Schwartz, Geneva R2, and Martha M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hilty, August 2, by Bishop John L. Schwartz.

### Elkhart County, Indiana

Stutzman, Bender – Joe, son of Minister Harry and Ida (Miller) Stutzman, Middlebury RR, and Ruth Ann, daughter of Orus E. and Clara (Schrock) Bender of Goshen R1, October 11.

Yoder, Troyer – Levi, son of Alvin L. and Mary Ann (Miller) Yoder of LaGrange R1, and Pauline, daughter of Bishop Enos S. and Edna (Troyer) Troyer of Goshen R1, October 18, by Bishop Enos S. Troyer.

### Kokomo, Indiana

Herschberger, Bontrager – Emory, son of Andy and Rosa (Herschberger) Herschberger, and Ida Mae, daughter of Melvin C. and Laura (Miller) Bontrager, September 27, by Bishop Henry Yoder of Illinois.

### Guthrie, Kentucky

Miller, Schlabach – Joni, son of Ezra Millers, and Mary, daughter of Ervin Schlabachs, September 27, by Simon M. Yoder.

### Johnson County, Iowa

Yoder, Miller – Robert, son of Mrs. Chester Yoder, and Phoebe, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Truman Miller, September 27, by Bishop Truman Miller.

### Mt. Elgin, Ontario

Miller, Petersheim – John L. Miller and Linda Petersheim, October 4.

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## OLD ORDER MENNONITE TOUR

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numerous families were brought under stress, the wisdom of this policy was questioned and the policy of using force to dress them plain was repealed in about 1865 by the majority council. The Rissler group, then known as the Bowman group, did not accept this repeal and have remained independent for most of the years following. This, perhaps, is the smallest Anabaptist group, for its age, found anywhere.

Bus #2 also stopped in to see the unusual Martindale Church, built in 1886, being the oldest Old Order Mennonite Church in Pennsylvania. It was built by the old Mennonites, which used it every other Sunday Morning. After the 1893 division the Lancaster Conference group retained their every two Sundays worship. Jonas Groff and his descendants, being the only ones to side with the Lancaster Conference, insisted that this church must be available to the Old Order (Jonas Martin) group or even he will leave the Lancaster Conference. His position seemed to carry even against Bishop board decision, and the Old Order used it every fourth Sunday when not in use. After the Old Order Mennonites divided again in 1927 the Wenger side took the remaining Sunday. In this way the three denominations used

the same building quite peaceably until 1948 when all parties desired more frequent worship, and the Lancaster Conference built a new church.

We also observed the 1854 building on the square of Martindale, used only thirty two years as a church because of its rapid growth. This area was an outgrowth of Weaverland, and the people worshiped in homes until 1854. When the decision came to build, a strong contention arose. Some said we'll build it at Martins Cemetery (Red Run), where it belongs and others said we will build it here on the crossroad where the majority of the people live. To resolve the dispute a lot was cast, the lot fell to the Martindale crossroad, and the dispute was settled.

In this church they had older forms of worship that are still carried on by the Amish. All the people stood up when the deacon read the text. The small Rissler Pike group is the only existing Mennonite group still practicing this part of the worship, which is probably based on Nehemiah 8:5, "Ezra opened the Book and all the people stood up . . . ." This practice was discarded with the new 1886 structure, by Deacon Daniel Burkholder's plea, hoping that the people could hear better.

Our tour spent a great deal of time discussing the Weaverland Conference group (Hornings) and the Groffdale Conference (Wengers) and we visited the Groffdale, Weaverland, Martindale, and Bowmansville church houses, which are used by both groups on alternate Sundays, also Conestoga, used by the Wenger group only. The Wengers, sometimes known as horse and buggy people, and the Hornings, sometimes called the Black Bumpers, originated from a common source known as the Jonas Martin People. These Martin people were a peace loving conservative people who didn't want the "radical" reforms of the Pike Church, neither wanted to accept the new innovations that were creeping into the Old Mennonite Church during the latter third of the past century.

Much time was spent on the tour to explain the extreme plainness of the meeting houses. The very fact of having meeting houses brought stress to the Mennonites, as well as to the Old Order Amish which broke relations with all Amish who built churches in the past century. Even in the earliest periods of the Reformation, the Anabaptists were known as desecrators of churches. A Mennonite group, the Brethren in Christ, broke relations with a segment of their church because they built a church in 1853. C. Henry Smith says that "The Swiss Mennonite Meeting Houses are strictly an American innovation and did not exist in the Old World when our fathers first came over." Some of the opposition to meeting houses originated from the (German) quote (being quite different in English) of Hosea 10:1, where it says, "Wo das Land am besten war da stifteten sie die schönsten Kirchen."

Undoubtedly churches were allowed in Lancaster County by the Mennonites with great concern for plainness. They violently opposed the costly cathedrals operated by the state churches of the fatherland. The fact that all Mennonite meeting houses built before the turn of the past century have the minister



on the side of the church and not at the gable end, is, with all probability, a protest to the state cathedrals which contained the priest, altar and the Mass in the greatly elaborated room or sanctuary at the gable end of the auditorium. The Old Order Mennonites are the only ones to maintain the minister at the "side" of the church, while all other Mennonites have moved back to the "sanctuary" type layout. The earliest meeting houses contained absolutely no worship "help;" even the hymn books were brought there by individuals who wished to bring their own and they would take them along home again. Special dedication services for new buildings were considered unscriptural, and such services are still not permitted by Old Order Mennonites. The first churches contained only a crude farmers table (Zappe Tisch) and backless benches, where members would locate around the table according to sex and age. Today the Old Order Mennonite churches contain the hymn books, also one board as a back rest is permitted. The Old Order Mennonites have become quite accustomed to using churches for regular Sunday preaching services but have practically no other activities in the buildings, even marriages have never been permitted in the auditorium of the church buildings nor complete funerals, that is to say to have the body brought into the building in the same way that the Amish do.

The Old Order (Jonas Martin) group built a set of new church houses after the 1893 division, Weaverland being first built in 1894. The first services were held in the fall of that year. Groffdale was built in 1895, Pequea in 1896, Bowmansville in 1902, Churchtown in 1910, and Meadow Valley in 1916. Springville and Conestoga were both built in 1938, independently, that is to say, the Wengers built Conestoga and the Hornings built Springville. Both the Hornings and the Wengers have built numerous church houses since then.

Among the modern innovations creeping into the Old Mennonite Church during the 1889's were Sunday Schools, evening meetings and revival meetings. Even today most Old Order Mennonites feel that Sunday School has nothing to offer and many believe that they can do a better job in teaching the simple way of life at home. The Old Order Mennonites contend that they can win more of their offspring, and others, than the higher churches having all the latest teaching facilities.

Conservatives felt that the Union Sunday Schools, which graced the country side during the 1880 period, was a dangerous conglomeration of higher churches, most of which did not practice the non-resistant and non-conformed way of life. The conservatives saw Sunday School as a great threat to the faith and as a means of pride brought into the church, and they felt sure a radical departure from the "simple life" would follow.

Another source of agitation was language, the Old Order wanted to worship in the German language of the fathers' and sing the songs of the Anabaptist martyrs, while the progressives tended to use the

language recommended by the state. They argued that English is so very much better understood by the young people. Unfortunately the change brought a new set of hymns into the church from other denominations and most Mennonites no longer use the hymns that were written by the fathers at the cost of blood.

Another great problem that seemed to converge at the same time was that some ministers began to marry such that were not members. This brought much concern to the northeastern corner of the county. Even today anyone wishing to marry must be a member in good standing with the church or they cannot be married "in" the church, meaning, with the believers. All marriages are expected to be kept in the home, it being too modern to marry in the church house.

Another distressing factor, the straw that broke the camel's back, was the introduction of a pulpit at Lichty's Church. The customary way of worship in the homes was around a table with the ministers at the end. After the Mennonites adopted church houses this practice of worshiping around a table was continued. The new Lichty's Church could get no affirmative council to add a new piece as a pulpit. The building committee, being progressively minded, were sympathetic with the minister, John Zimmerman, having only one arm. They contended that he could page his Bible very much better with a higher lectern. The conservatives felt this was radically wrong to move without the council of the church, the one-step raised platform, they felt, would also exalt the lay type of believer's church. Two nights before the first services were held unknown persons entered the building and dismantled the platform and lectern and threw it into the basement and replaced it with a neat preachers' table. At Communion time it was asked that the offenders should abstain from Communion, but no one abstained nor admitted error in this respect. In the Lichty congregation there was one member who would not confess peace until the case was resolved. He insisted that if Bishop Martin didn't remove the pulpit he must have lent the moral support to have it removed. If Bishop Martin was interrogated on the matter he would always reply, "Ich bins net schuldig," probably meaning, "I am not indebted to make a confession." Some authorities believe that he didn't care to know about the pulpit and probably reasoned that the offenders removing the pulpit were not as much wrong as those who first put it in. As years passed murmur against the bishop increased, especially against his continued teaching against Sunday School. Finally, on October 6, 1893, Bishop Jonas Martin announced to the bishop board meeting on morning of conference at Mellingers, that he was no longer in union with the Lancaster Conference. One of the bishops, after pleading to recant, pulled out his watch and said he will give him a certain number of minutes to change his mind or they will have to expell him. It is believed that Bishop Martin did not stay in the council room until the time was up but resided into the auditorium. Immediate steps were taken to expell Martin and all of his adherents. It was also decided there that he and his



adherents should have no privileges to any of the meeting houses, except Martindale. His expelling grounds were three points, making of misrepresentation, autocracy, and given to self-will.

The Jonas Martin group then built a group of new meeting houses and remained independent, although they somewhat united with the Wislers of Indiana.

The Martin group divided on the automobile issue in 1927 into the Wenger and Horning groups. The division was often known as the "friendly" division because there was no contest as to who was the original group and who owns the meeting houses. The houses built before 1927 have been most cordially shared on alternate Sundays in the half century following.

In about 1943 the Reidenbach Mennonites, or 35ers, were forming out of the Wenger group because they felt that alternate military service was compromising too much with the state. They maintained to stay on the farms and rather be forceably thrown into prison than to volunteer as a Conscientious Objector. They also questioned that the use of war food ration stamps may be another step toward worldliness.

By special privilege, buses #1 and #3, on our tour, were permitted to enter the humble but charming meeting house located on Reidenbach Road near Hinkletown. Their original house, built in 1947, was completely torn away several years ago and rebuilt twice its original size without professional help and without missing their bi-weekly meetings.

Near their church the Old order Mennonite School was noted. This is operated as an Old Order Parochial Community School. Not only do 35ers govern the school but a spectrum of all the plain groups, and, surprisingly, an Amish girl is the teacher at present.

Several hundred feet farther east we noted the Crossroad School which is strictly operated as a church school by the Eastern Pennsylvania Church. To classify this Eastern Pennsylvania Church as Old Order may be a bit bold. They, none the less, do represent a very conservative segment of the Lancaster Conference, parting ways with them about 1967. Ironically, practically the entire membership came from the Jonas Martin groups, one, two or three generations ago.

We passed some of the finest farming operations, form homes and productive soils found anywhere, as well as industries developed by old Order Mennonites, none of which time permitted us to visit. We toured the Fairmount Rest Home, located on the KATZEBUCKEL. Its location on a little mountain must be seen to really appreciate the view to the farm lands below. It is an ultra-modern facility, valued at two million dollars, and capable of housing 107 guests while many have to be turned away for lack of space. Presently the Home has 99 staff members. It is open to all creeds. It is not operated by a church but is governed by a board who are dedicated to keep it in the respect of their own conference (Weaverland). Only about 7% of the guests are of their own persuasion. So it is very obvious that the Home is

designed as a community service rather than a church institution.

Another very unusual aspect of the tour was a visit to Stanley Eckenroth's Funeral Home, located in Terre Hill. He has the Old Order Amish of the Morgantown area seeking his services as well as the Old Order Mennonites of the Weaverland Valley, and pointed out some striking differences in funeral services. He said that an Old Order Mennonite hearse has the driver perched on a high seat while an Old Order Amish hearse is an elongated market wagon with the driver seated within the wagon. The coffins are alike, being the broken lid coffin formerly made out of walnut but now poplar with a walnut stain. The Amish man is dressed in a shirt, trousers and vest while the lady is dressed in a dress, cape and apron, all in white. To the contrary, the Old Order Mennonites may have the older custom by dressing their dead in white schrouds and not in normal clothing. The Old Order Mennonites have a brief service at the home of the deceased while the Amish have the main part of the service at the home. The Old Order Mennonites view on the church grounds but not in the building. After the viewing they go to the grave site and have a brief discourse there while two appointed persons cover the coffin. The congregation then moves to the building for the main part of the service before the grave is completely covered. With the Amish, however, the burial is part of the service, the family watches intently until the grave is covered and heaped up nicely, then only is the benediction pronounced and the people disperse. The Amish probably have the older practices. It was not until the 1880's that the Mennonites of this area began to use their meeting houses for funerals, and even today, as already implied, they do not bring the body into the building. The services are not intended as a eulogy but rather to comfort the bereaved and as a warning to sinners. One could note that years ago most Old Order Mennonite burials were in the morning then a noon meal of fellowship was held at the home of the deceased. The 35ers make one deviation from other Old Order Mennonites at funerals, that is, the congregation remains in a seated position while the benediction is pronounced.

The old VonNieda Mill was pointed out at the conclusion of the tour. This mill, in Bowmansville, served the community since 1850. In the 1720's Christian Good founded a similar mill on the same site used for a flour, grist and saw mill. It is important to note that this Good's mill was used for many years for worship services by the early Mennonite settlers. They, as the Amish, had no churches in Europe (Swiss Mennonites).

The climax of the tour came with Bartram Leaman's fine Pennsylvania German evening meal. The folks on the tour seemed to enjoy the somewhat "slowed down" atmosphere of the northeastern part of the county. Amos B. Hoover

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# OLD ORDER MENNONITE TOUR

September 29, 1973

It is likely that some Old Order Amish would find it interesting to read about a "comparison" tour through the Old Order Mennonite country, which has striking similarities with Old Order Amish communities. The tour commenced at noon, using the Landis Valley Church grounds as our beginning point. There were about 135 people, three bus loads, of various denominations, such as Amish, Horning and Lancaster Conference Mennonite, United Methodist, Presbyterian, Evangelical, etc. The tour was planned and sponsored by Mennonite Historical Associates. The area transversed was a band of land about ten miles long and six miles wide, beginning at Groffdale and running in a northeasterly direction, ending at Bowmansville. This is an agricultural strip of land still farmed by the same stock of people that first settled it in 1717, and it could be called the Old Order Mennonite Country.

The Old Order Mennonites have much in common with the Old Order Amish; both believe in keeping their way of life and forms of worship very simple. This is quite logical because of a common background, and both using the 1632 Dortrecht Confession. In about 1938 the Horning group started a Fire Aid policy, copied from the Old Order Amish system. The Parochial School system of our Old Order Mennonites is based on the same principle as that of the Old Order Amish, and we depend on the Amish to pioneer in ways of teaching and dealing with State Authorities, etc. The same can be said about Social Security exemptions, and alternate military service on farms instead of serving in hospitals.

The Old Order Mennonites of Lancaster County are much less in number when compared with the Old Order Amish, being perhaps 3,000 against 4,500 baptized members. We appreciate very much the stand taken by the Amish.

There are quite a number of conservative denominations in the county that descend from Anabaptist background. All of them fall into four categories that have originated in four different periods of time. The first major category originated in 1693 in the Amish-Mennonite division. The second category are the Reformed Mennonites beginning in 1812, the first Mennonite division of Lancaster County. The third conservative division occurred in 1845 when the Pike Mennonites parted ways with the Old Mennonites (Lancaster Conference). The fourth conservative division occurred in 1893 when the Jonas Martin group parted ways with the Lancaster Conference group. The latter two categories is what concerned our tour.

We visited the "Pike" church on Hinkletown Pike, Route 322. Because it is located on what was the former Harrisburg-Downingtown Turnpike, it acquired the Pike name. During the 1840's two incidents happened within the (old) Mennonite Church that required censure by the church. Jacob Stauffer and Jacob Weaver, both ministers, insisted that the offenders be expelled according to the sixteenth article of the Dortrecht Confession. The bishops, however, felt that these offenders could be corrected by a mere confession, as in a brother to brother transgression. By 1845 Stauffer severed relations with the old church and started a new denomination, establishing eleven "new" points of doctrine, published in 1855. These points weren't new in the real sense of the word; they concerned matters that had long been testified against but now were completely prohibited. The points included: No singing schools, no attending of camp meetings, no voting, no musical instruments, no lightning rods, etc. The eleventh point re-instated the MEIDUNG which seems to have been practiced only by certain families at this time. Today the group is also found in Snyder Co., Pa., in Missouri and Maryland.

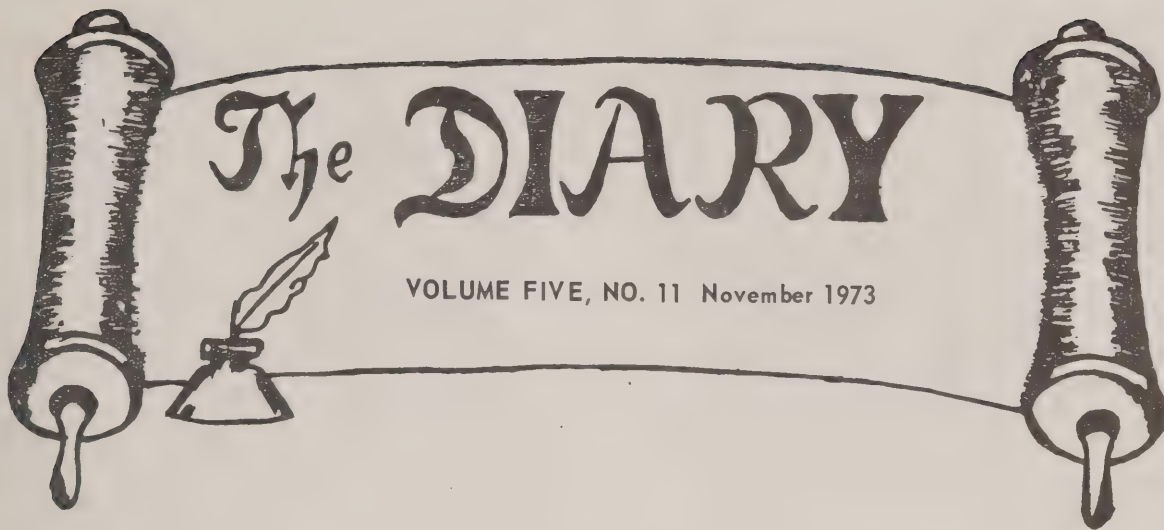
On the premises of the Pike Church is perhaps the world's only Mennonite Horse Barn, dating back to horse riding days. In those days no carriages were tolerated, and the horses were accommodated in this fully enclosed livery stable, or barn. Today it is used only in extreme weather when the open end sheds are a bit cold.

The Pike group consisted of the Stauffers (the largest group) and the Weavers, worshiping in the same meeting house on alternate Sundays. The Rissler Pike, the Phares Stauffer Pike, and the Brubaker Pike all worship in homes. About four groups not found in Lancaster County also descend from the Pike Church. When the group started in 1845 Stauffer inaugurated a new Mennonite custom, that all the children, both boys and girls, should dress plain, even before baptism. This new rule met with violent opposition of the young people (teenagers) not accustomed to this practice. The question arose as to how radically this rule should be enforced. It was decided that the children must be plain or denied the privilege of living in the parental home and influencing the younger children. After

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### IND. YOUTH LOST EYE IN HUNTING ACCIDENT

Joe M., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno W. Schwartz, was seriously injured in a hunting accident, Nov. 10, the first day of the season, and as a result lost his left eye. He was hunting rabbits on his father's farm using a 12-gauge single barrel shotgun. He had already fired several shots and when a rabbit jumped up he fired again. The barrel exploded and the tip of the barrel, about an inch in length, lodged in his left eye, with the eye being practically blown away. Schwartz at first did not know what hit him and then he pulled the tip of the barrel from where his eye had been. The wound bled profusely, but he had little pain. The piece of metal hit him squarely in the eye, the eyelid was not damaged. It is not known if the barrel of the gun was clogged or why the tip of it blew up. Joe was in the St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Wayne for a few days, but is home again.

### INDIANA MAN HAS BROKEN NECK

Joseph T. Schwartz, 26, of Spencerville R1, Ind., received a broken neck when he was involved in a car accident at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 28th. He and his neighbor were at Ashley, Ind. helping his brother, Moses T. Schwartz, work on his barn. On the way home when they stopped to cross a highway they failed to see a semi coming due to the sun glaring on the windshield. Joe has a cracked neck and a broken back and was paralyzed from the waist down. He was in Parkview Hospital at Fort Wayne. He is a son of Daniel Schwartz of Ashley, Ind., his wife, Lillian, is a daughter of Andrew and Esther (Schwartz) Eicher. They have three small children.

### ASHLAND CO., OHIO BARN FIRE

The barn of Perry J. Keims of Greenwich R2, Ohio burned to the ground on Thanksgiving Day. The cause of the fire is unknown. All the grain, straw, hay, and most of his machinery burned, but they did manage to get the livestock out.

### YOUNG WAYNE CO., OHIO COUPLE DIES IN ACCIDENT

Thursday Evening, November 1, Sammie, age 19, son of Eli S. Yoders of Apple Creek R2, and Fannie, age 20, daughter of Daniel J. Millers of Dundee R1, both met instant death, from broken necks, on their way home from the doctor's office after picking up the returns of their blood tests for marriage. A semi-trailer truck hit their buggy from the rear. The horse was also killed. (See obituaries)

### OVERDOSE OF ASPIRINS FATAL TO HOLMES CO., OHIO CHILD

Ruth, 16 month old daughter of Paul E. and Fannie (Weaver) Weaver, died November 9 in the Pomerene Memorial Hospital. Tests showed that death was due to an excessive intake of aspirin which she must have swallowed unknown to the parents at the time.

### INDIANA CO., PA. BABY LIVED ON MACHINES

A son was born to Andy D. and Katie (Yoder) Coblentz, named Jake. The child was born in a local hospital but transferred to Pittsburgh after the 2nd day, where they kept him living for 18 days with breathing and heart machines. The baby died Nov. 20th of complications. (See obituary)

### INJURIES FATAL TO ALLEN CO., IND. MAN

On November 30th, around 10 p.m., Samuel A. Eicher, 76, his wife, Bertha (Kauffman), 82, and a daughter, Anna, were waiting to cross Ind. 37 when she saw the second car coming but with dimmer lights and thought it was a buggy, but it was one of those little cars and it hit them. Samuel died a few hours later. Bertha was still in the hospital, but they wanted to try and have her home for the funeral, December 3rd. (See obituary)





*"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen."*  
Mark 10:14



## BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania  
 BEILER, Benuel S. (Mary E. Zook) Quarryville R3  
 a daughter ESTHER E., November 5  
 BEILER, Elam S. (Rebecca S. Esh) Ronks R1  
 a daughter LYDIA, November 11  
 BEILER, Emanuel (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Box 21  
 Talmage, a son MELVIN, November 6  
 BEILER, Ezra E. (Mattie L. Fisher) Christiana R1  
 a daughter BARBARA, November 9  
 BEILER, Henry (Emma Speicher) Bird-in-Hand R1  
 a son AARON JAY, November 14  
 BEILER, Jonas R. (Rebecca King) Gordonville R1  
 a daughter MARTHA, November 14  
 BEILER, Samuel (Mary Smucker) Strasburg R1  
 a son JONATHAN Z., November 20  
 BLANK, Jacob S. (Lizzie E. King) Quarryville R3  
 a son BENNIE, November 5  
 FISHER, Christian Z. (Annie S. Glick) New Providence  
 R1, a son JOSEPH G., November 14  
 FISHER, Isaac B. (Anna Mary Esh) Quarryville R3  
 a daughter KATHRYN MARIE, November 20  
 FISHER, Leroy B. (Elizabeth Fisher) Gap R1  
 a son MERVIN F., November 2  
 FISHER, Samuel (Anna Esh) Kinzers R1  
 a daughter LINDA FAYE, November 26  
 GLICK, Daniel K. (Emma S. Stoltzfus) 88 Geist Rd.,  
 Lancaster, a daughter SADIE, November 21  
 GLICK, Joseph K. (Fannie Kauffman) Christiana R1  
 a daughter SADIE K., November 3  
 KAUFFMAN, John P. (Susie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1  
 a son, November 13  
 KING, Amos B. (Katie S. Esh) Christiana R1  
 a daughter SUVILLA E., November 1  
 KING, Leroy K. (Naomi Esh) Gordonville R1  
 a son DAVID JAY, November 1  
 LAPP, David S. (Lydia Lapp) S. Belmont Rd.,  
 Paradise R1, a son BENUEL L., November 3  
 LAPP, Eli K. (Katie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1  
 a son AMOS S., November 3  
 PETERSHEIM, Christian L. (Sarah King) 339 Clearview  
 Rd., Lancaster, a son JACOB ANDREW, November 18  
 PETERSHEIM, John (Sarah Lapp) Christiana R1  
 a son ISAAC L., November 19  
 STOLTZFOOS, Jacob (Mary Beiler) Kinzers R1  
 a daughter SALLIE B., November 8  
 STOLTZFOOS, Moses G. (Suvilla Kauffman) Ronks R1  
 a daughter KATIE, September 18  
 STOLTZFOOS, Samuel F. (Fannie Z. Beiler) Gap R1  
 a daughter MARY B., November 9  
 STOLTZFUS, Ben K. (Sadie Z. Stoltzfus) 384 E. Main  
 St., Leola, a son JOHN MARK, November 13  
 STOLTZFUS, Christ F. (Nancy K. Glick) Strasburg R1  
 a daughter MARY F., November 27  
 STOLTZFUS, Daniel E. (Mary M. Stoltzfus) Christiana  
 R1, a daughter ESTHER S., November 26

STOLTZFUS, Jacob L. (Barbara F. Smoker) Honey  
 Brook R2, a daughter REBECCA S., November 1  
 STOLTZFUS, John F. (Fannie E. Beiler) Strasburg R1  
 a son LEVI ELDON, November 26  
 STOLTZFUS, John M. (Barbara Stoltzfus) S. Vintage Rd  
 B. 300, Christiana R1, a daughter HANNAH K., Nov. 22  
 STOLTZFUS, Samuel K. (Rachel F. King) Kinzers R1  
 a son STEPHEN, November 13  
 STOLTZFUS, Stephen S. (Malinda S. Stoltzfus) Brick  
 Church Rd., Leola R1, a daughter KATIE S., Nov. 22  
 SWAREY, Aaron (Fannie L. Stoltzfus) Hess Rd.,  
 Leola R1, a daughter JEMIMA S., November 25  
 ZOOK, Amos (Malinda Stoltzfoos) New Providence R1  
 a daughter MARY S., November 15  
 ZOOK, Amos B. (Rachel Smucker) Gap R1  
 a son MAHLON S., November 18  
 ZOOK, David S. Jr. (Elizabeth K. Esh) New Holland R1  
 a daughter REBECCA E., November 20  
 ZOOK, Jonas S. (Elizabeth Esh) 729 Hartman Station  
 Rd., Lancaster, a son DANIEL, November 5

St. Mary's County, Maryland  
 HOSTETLER, John (Mary Beiler) Mechanicsville  
 a son SAMUEL, November 7  
 LEE, Gideon (Mary Yoder) Mechanicsville  
 a daughter LIZZIE, November 12  
 STOLTZFUS, Dan M. (Sarah Lapp) Mechanicsville  
 a son ANDY, November 1  
 SWAREY, Levi (Annie Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville  
 triplets, ADA, ANNA, AMANDA, November 9  
 YODER, John (Malinda Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall  
 a daughter EMMA, November 2

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## Guaimaca, Honduras

HOCHSTETLER, LeRoy (Lydia Mae Hochstetlet)  
a daughter MARGARET, July 8  
MILLER, Daniel Jr. (Sylvia Slaubaugh)  
twins, DANIEL RAY and FANNIE MAE, May 30  
STOLL, Joseph (Laura Gascho)  
a daughter EUNICE, October 8

## Dover, Delaware

BEACHY, Joe H. (Verna Yoder) Dover R6  
a daughter REBECCA, November 18  
MAST, Enos I. (Lydia Miller) Dover R2  
a daughter FLORENCE, November 11  
MAST, William A. (Emma Troyer) Wyoming R1  
a daughter BARBARA, November 13

## Bradford County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Andy (Rhoda Yoder) Stevensville  
a daughter LOVINA, October 31

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Sam, Jr. (Susie Troyer) McAlisterville R2  
a son JOHN, November 19  
RENNO, Moses K. (Hannah Lapp) Mifflintown R2  
a daughter ANNIE, November 5

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Omar (Hettie Peachey) Belleville  
a daughter SALINA, November 25  
SWAREY, Isaac (Lavina Kanagy) Belleville  
a daughter REBECCA, November 6  
ZOOK, David (Lena Byler) Belleville  
a daughter ESTHER, November 24

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

KINSINGER, Joseph J. (Martha Beachy) Meyersdale  
a son NOAH, November 18  
YODER, Crist C. (Lizzie Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md.  
a son AMMON RAY, November 5  
YODER, Rufus Y. (Drusilla H. Kinsinger) Grantsville  
a son ALBERT, November 22

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Chester (Martha Miller)  
a son DANNY, November 1  
HERSHBERGER, Joe (Emma Coblentz)  
a daughter EMMA, November 26

## Lawrence County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Dan A. (Emma H. Byler)  
a son HENRY, November 14  
YODER, Noah A. (Anna Mary J. Byler)  
a daughter LUCINDA, November 15

## Conewango Valley, New York

MILLER, Emanuel Y. (Katie N. Raber)  
a daughter MATTIE, November 23  
MILLER, Levi Y. (Anna N. Raber)  
a daughter SARAH, November 27  
MILLER, Pete (Ada Y. Miller)  
a son IVAN, November 5

## Geauga County, Ohio

FISHER, Neal W. (Wilma Yutzky)  
a daughter EDNA, November 9

## Wayne County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, Atlee (Lydiann Chupp) Apple Creek  
R2, a son IVAN, November 28  
HERSHBERGER, Ananias (Susie Stutzman) Dalton R2  
a son ENOS, November 21  
MILLER, Atlee Y. (Dorothy Graber) Orrville R3  
a daughter ESTHER, October 30  
PETERSHEIM, Christian (Ada Keim) Fredericksburg R 2  
a son LEROY CHRIST, November 5  
TROYER, Alex W. (Mary Ann Yoder) Apple Creek R2  
a daughter NORA, November 10  
ZOOK, John J. (Katie E. Swartzentruber)  
a son ENOS, November 20

## Holmes County, Ohio

COBLENTZ, Marvin J. (Marie Miller) Sugarcreek R2  
a daughter KATHY, November 7  
ERB, Ben A. (Fannie P. Raber) Millersburg R4  
a daughter MARLENE, November 13  
FEHR, Cornelius (Edna Troyer) Millersburg R4  
a son DAVID, November  
HERSHBERGER, Dan L. (Fannie Troyer) Millersburg  
R5, a son JOAS JAY, November 19  
HERSHBERGER, Ervin A. (Susie Miller) Mt. Hope  
a son, November 12  
HERSHBERGER, Valentine A. (Sara Yoder)  
a son  
MAST, Roy S. (Clara Keim) Millersburg R4  
a son, November 21  
MILLER, Jacob (Fannie Hershberger) Millersburg R4  
a daughter SUZANNA, November  
RABER, Andy E. (Anna Miller) Millersburg R3  
a son ALLEN, November 15  
RABER, Leroy J. (Annie Miller) Box 12, Charm  
a son, November 24  
STUTZMAN, Leroy E. (Verna Borntrager)  
a daughter MARY, November 17  
STUTZMAN, Jonas P. (Ada Mast) Millersburg R5  
a son DANIEL, November 30  
TROYER, Abe M. (Sara Hostetler) Fredericksburg R2  
a daughter CHERYL,  
WENGERD, Simon Jr. (Katie J. Miller) Benton  
a daughter TINA LORENA, November 10  
YODER, Amos C. (Verna Yoder) Millersburg R3  
a daughter CLARA, November 14  
YODER, Amos D. (Lydia Ann Yoder)  
a son DAVID, November 5  
YODER, Andy A. (Dena Miller)  
a daughter  
YODER, Andy J. (Esther Troyer) Baltic R1  
a son WILLIS, November 2  
YODER, Andy J. A. (Katie Ann Miller)  
a son, November 5  
YODER, Andy J. D. (Edna Kauffman) Millersburg R2  
a son DANIEL,  
YODER, Isaac A. (Ellen Weaver) Millersburg R4  
a son ERVIN, November 15  
YODER, Nelson E. (Anna J. Troyer) Star Route  
Millersburg, a son JOHN DAVID, November 26  
YODER, Roy D. (Emma Yoder) Fredericksburg R2  
a son MICHEAL,



## BIRTHS, Continued

Ashland County, Ohio  
 BRENNEMAN, John (Sarah H. Miller)  
 2500 Wells Road, Ashland  
 a daughter ELIZABETH, November 5

Hicksville, Ohio  
 STEURY, Louis (Ruth Yoder)  
 a son MICHAEL, November 30

Danville, Ohio  
 MILLER, Johnny Jr. (Mary Y. Hostetler) Danville R2  
 a daughter RACHEL, November 19

Camden, Michigan  
 EICHER, Levi (Lovina Delagrange)  
 a son HENRY, November 26  
 GRABER, Ernie (Mary Schwartz)  
 a son VICTOR, November 29

Bronson, Michigan  
 HERSHBERGER, Joni (Ida Miller)  
 a son NATHAN, November 15  
 (Baby is in incubator)

Centreville, Michigan  
 HOCHSTETLER, Levi (Alta Bontrager)  
 a daughter MARILYN JOELENE, November 9

Allen County, Indiana  
 BRANDENBERGER, Jacob (Kathryn Graber) New Haven R1  
 a daughter SAVILLA, November 18  
 GRABER, Alvin (Kathryn Graber) Grabill R2  
 a son DAVID, November 12  
 SCHMUCKER, Daniel (Anna Marie Delagrange) Spencer -  
 ville R1, a son JOSEPH, November 8

Marshall County, Indiana  
 HELMUTH, Merle (Nora Miller) Bremen R1  
 a daughter LORI ANN, November 22  
 PLANK, Levi (Druscilla Kauffman) Nappanee  
 a son JOSEPH, November 12  
 YODER, Laverne (Marl a Slabaugh) Nappanee  
 a son ARLEN JAY, November

Adams County, Indiana  
 COBLENTZ, Eli (Mattie Schwartz) Geneva R2  
 a daughter BARBARA, November 13  
 SCHWARTZ, Dan H. (Lucinda A. Wickey) Monroe R1  
 a daughter LUCINDA, November 24  
 SCHWARTZ, Joe D. J. (Margaret Eicher) Berne R2  
 a daughter REBECCA, November 27  
 SCHWARTZ, John K. (Emma Christner) Berne R2  
 a daughter, November 14  
 SCHWARTZ, Levi D. J. (Anna R. Schwartz) Berne R2  
 a daughter BARBARA, November 11  
 SCHWARTZ, Peter Q. (Mary Zook) Geneva R2  
 a son JOE, November  
 WICKEY, Emanuel (Emma Yoder) Berne R2  
 a daughter MARY, November  
 WICKEY, Tobe (Margaret Christner) Berne R2  
 a son AMOS, November 17  
 YODER, Wilson (Elizabeth Troyer) Berne R2  
 a daughter LYDIA, November 29

## Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Daniel J. (Alice Wingard) Goshen R1  
 a daughter LORA ANN, November 21  
 LAMBRIGHT, Ernest (Lorene Miller) Shipshewana R2  
 twins, a son DARYLE DEAN, a dau. CHERYLE JEAN  
 November 6  
 MILLER, Daniel Jay (Inez Yoder) Middlebury R3  
 a son LAVONNE RAY, November 20  
 MILLER, Ernest (Esther Helmuth) Middlebury R1  
 a son DENNIS LYNN, November 14  
 MILLER, Harley Jay (Wilma J. Beachy) Goshen R1  
 a daughter VERA JEAN, November 14  
 MILLER, Henry L. (Betty Miller) Goshen R4  
 a daughter ELAINE JO, November 11  
 MILLER, Mervin C. (Mary Schrock) Shipshewana R2  
 a daughter DORIS ANN, November 17  
 SCHWARTZ, Christian (Betty Yoder) Goshen R1  
 a daughter LISA JOY, November 12  
 YODER, Chris H. (Esther Bontrager) Middlebury R2  
 a daughter NAOMI, November 15

## LaGrange County, Indiana

----- Perry H. (Rosanna Beachy) Topeka R2  
 a son DENNIS LEE, November 7  
 BONTRAGER, Ervin A. (Irene Lambright) Topeka R1  
 a son LEON E., November 7  
 CHRISTNER, Olen Jr. (Inez Hochstedler) LaGrange R2  
 a daughter DEANN, November 16  
 EASH, Sammy Jay (Viola Bontrager) Topeka R2  
 a daughter SUSIETTA, October 27  
 FREY, Freeman J. (Wilma Lambright) Topeka R2  
 a son Faran F., November 13  
 LEHMAN, Daniel (Marlene Miller) Shipshewana R2  
 a daughter HELEN, November 11  
 MILLER, Elvon and Lou Ida, Millersburg R1  
 a son STEPHEN RAY, October 27  
 MILLER, Freeman D. (Mary Miller) LaGrange R4  
 a son JOSEPH F., November 6  
 MILLER, Harley (Mary Alice Petersheim) Topeka R2  
 a son NORMAN, November 18  
 MILLER, Lloyd O. (Ida Mae Lehman) LaGrange R4  
 a daughter ROSETTA, November 23

## Daviess County, Indiana

EICHER, Norman (Wilma Jean Yoder)  
 a daughter ILENE, November 17  
 GRABER, Harvey (Leah Wagler)  
 a son STEVEN, October 31  
 GRABER, Herman (Rosa Wagler)  
 a daughter, October 1  
 GRABER, Jerome (Rose Mary Bontrager)  
 a son FRED ALLEN, October 5  
 GRABER, Minister Ray (Martha Graber)  
 a daughter KETURAH, October 24  
 KNEPP, Harry (Laura Stoll)  
 a daughter CAMILLA, November 15  
 KNEPP, Henry (Pauline Graber)  
 a daughter MARY MARGARET, November 9  
 KNEPP, John (Vera Knepp)  
 a daughter CHRISTINA ROSE, September 11  
 KNEPP, John (Viola Graber)  
 a daughter MARY JEAN, November 16

LAMBRIGHT, John (Joan Baber)  
 a daughter RHODA, September 17  
 LENGACHER, Glenn (Verda Wagler)  
 a daughter BRENDA, October 7  
 LENGACHER, Harold (Mary Catherine Yoder)  
 a son KEITH ALLEN, November 10  
 STOLL, Leroy (Rosie Knepp)  
 a daughter MARY, September 17  
 WAGLER, Lester (Ida Mae Knepp)  
 a son MERLE, September 19  
 WAGLER, Martin (Marie Graber)  
 November  
 WAGLER, Minister Noah B. (Anna Knepp)  
 a son, November 26  
 WAGLER, Willard (Naomi Graber)  
 a daughter MARIETTA, November 14  
 YODER, Alva (Katie Kemp)  
 a daughter MARY CATHERINE, November 21

Guthrie, Kentucky  
 YODER, Melvin (Mattie Hochstetler) Guthrie R2  
 a daughter ANITA, November 12

Arthur, Illinois  
 HELMUTH, Ernest (Katie Miller)  
 a son MARLIN EUGENE, November 6  
 MILLER, Lester (Mary Beachy)  
 a daughter on November 27  
 STUTZMAN, Ervin (Sarah Mae Plank)  
 a daughter ESTHER, November 27  
 YODER, Henry (Emma Miller)  
 a daughter on November 6

Pike County, Missouri  
 SCHWARTZ, Levi (Martha Hershberger)  
 a son SAMUEL, November 6  
 WAGLER, Raymond (Malinda Kemp)  
 a son ABNER, October 27

Audrain County, Missouri  
 GINGERICH, Eli E., Jr. (Mary Yoder) Clark  
 a son DANIEL in November  
 MILLER, Joni T. (Lizzie Shetler) Clark  
 a son HENRY, November 15

Marshfield, Missouri  
 KUHN, Lester (Polly Miller)  
 a son PAUL, November 7

Jamesport, Missouri  
 MAST, Alvin Jr. (Emma Mae Yoder)  
 a son ALVIN DALE, November 10  
 STUTZMAN, Atlee E. (Ida Detweiler)  
 a daughter ADA MAE, November 2  
 YUTZY, Jonas W. (Emma Graber)  
 a son MELVIN, November 4

Buchanan County, Iowa  
 BONTRAGER, Simeon D. (Vernie Beechy) Hazleton  
 a son EDDIE, November 8  
 GINGERICH, Eddie R. (Emma Helmuth) Hazleton  
 a daughter FANNY, November 19  
 SCHWARTZ, Andy (Ida Mullet) Fairbank  
 a daughter LINDA, November 21

Medford, Wisconsin  
 BORINTRAGER, Alvin (Saloma Miller)  
 a daughter ANNA, November 27  
 MILLER, Albert (Ella Borntager)  
 a daughter EMMA, November 27  
 YODER, Amos (Rebecca Borntager)  
 a son RUDY, November 10

Cashton, Wisconsin  
 KEMPF, Harvey (Anna Yoder) LaFarge R. D.  
 a daughter MARY, November 9

Wroxeter, Ontario  
 BYLER, Eli (Sarah Byler)  
 a daughter SYLVIA, November 9

Norwich, Ontario  
 MILLER, Dan G. (Sarah D. Shetler) Norwich R1  
 a daughter JEMIMA, November 20  
 MILLER, Gideon E. (Ella J. Shetler) Norwich R1  
 a son ALBERT, November 4  
 STUTZMAN, Daniel L. (Annie A. Miller)  
 Tillsonburg R7, a daughter ELIZABETH, Nov. 16

Grey County, Ontario, Canada  
 HERSHBERGER, Emery J. (Mary Stutzman) Desboro R1  
 a tiny baby boy on November 16. It is in a Kitchener  
 Hospital in an incubator. It seems to be doing O. K.

Milverton, Ontario, Canada  
 KUEPFER, Aaron and Phoebe, Linwood R1  
 a daughter LAURA, November 4  
 KUEPFER, Isaac and Christena, Newton R1  
 a son MARVIN, November 12

#### VERNON CO., WIS. ACCIDENT

Neil, 14, son of Chester and Elmina N. (Hershberger) Kauffman was injured when he lost his balance and got his leg into a circle saw. He was helping cut wood at his aunt's place, the Perry B. Millers. He was taken to the Vernon Memorial Hospital where it took quite a few stitches to close the wound. He spent a few days in the hospital and had to get about on crutches for a few weeks.

#### LANCASTER CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Jacob, age 15, son of Samuel L. and Rebecca (Smucker) Esh, Gordonville R1, was injured Wed., Nov. 14th when the pony he was riding bolted out in front of an oncoming car, throwing Jacob onto the road. The pony was killed, Esh was taken to the General Hospital by Gordonville ambulance where he was treated for a laceration of the head, and released.

John, age 3, son of Jacob B. and Suvilla (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, suffered a broken finger Nov. 17th when a cow stepped on his hand. He was taken to the Osteopathic Hospital where he was treated and released.

#### ELKHART CO., IND. ACCIDENT

On Nov. 9th while Eddie and Amanda (Yoder) Schwartz were crossing the street in Middlebury a car came around the corner, the driver, not seeing them, hit Amanda, which resulted in a broken wrist and a bruise on the head.



## OBITUARIES

COBLENTZ, Jacob, 20 days, Indiana Co., Pa.

son of Andy D. and Katie (Yoder) Coblentz died Nov. 20 at a Pittsburgh hospital (see front page).

Funeral services were held at Emery C. Millers by Pre. Allen J. Miller and Bishop Enos Fisher. Burial was in the Troyer Cemetery.

EICHER, Samuel A., 76, of Allen County, Indiana

died November 30th from injuries received in a buggy-car accident (see front page). He is survived by his wife, Bertha (Kauffman) Eicher, to whom he was married 54 years. Other survivors include Bish. Jacob of Bowling Green, Mo., John of Geneva R2, Ind., Agnes of New Haven R1, Mary of Geneva R1, Anna at home, Martha of Geneva R2, and Emma of Bryant, Ind. and a sister, Mrs. Sarah Miller of New Haven, Indiana.

KING, John B., Honey Brook R1, Pa.

died from injuries received when he fell from a ladder while working outside the barn. He was a son of Moses S. and the late Ida King. He is survived by his father; his wife, Racheal A. (Beiler) King; two sons and two daughters, Paul B. of Montgomery, Ind., Abner, Katie, and Thelma, all at home; three grandchildren; his father of Honey Brook R2; three brothers and three sisters, Sylvanus B., Abner B., Alvin B. and Ruth all of Honey Brook, Mary, wife of Henry Fisher of Gordonville, and Miriam, wife of Dale Young of Virginia.

Funeral services were held at the home Nov. 2 by David Miller and Samuel Gingerich of Martinburg, Ohio; hymn by John Henry Graber of Montgomery, Ind. Burial was at Stoltzfus Cemetery, Honey Brook.

LANTZ, Henry S., 80, Leola R1, Pa.

died Tuesday, Nov. 27 at his home. He had been under a doctor's care. He was crippled with arthritis for many years. Born Jan. 28, 1893, he was a son of the late Jonathan and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Lantz, and died at the age of 80 yr., 9 mo., and 29 days. He is survived by three brothers and two sisters: Jonathan S., Gap R2; Amos S. and Isaac S., Gordonville R1; Lydia, wife of Christ F. King, Ronks R1, and Mrs. Hannah Stoltzfus, Gap R1.

Funeral services were held at the home of his brother, Isaac Lantz, by Jonas Esh and Elam B. Stoltzfoos; hymn read, at the house by Bennie Beiler, and at the graveyard by Amos Stoltzfus; abschied by Stephen Stoltzfus. Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

LAPP, David B., 30, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died Saturday, Nov. 19 at his home after an illness of three months. Born in Lebanon Co. Aug. 23, 1943 he was a son of Samuel L. and Barbara Y. (Beiler) Lapp of Ronks R1. He was a coachmaker, and was married Nov. 12, 1963 to Arie K. Swarey, they lived in matrimony ten years and have two daughters, Amanda, 3, and Salina, 2. In addition to his parents, widow and daughters, he is survived by two brothers and two sisters, Benjamin B. and Samuel B., both of Ronks R1, Hannah, wife of Isaac

Z. King of Lancaster, and Amanda, wife of Jonathan M. Stoltzfus of Gordonville R1.

Short funeral services were held at the home by Aaron King, hymn by John Allgyer. Further services were held at the home of Christian S. King by Aaron Beiler and Amos King, hymn by Benjamin Fisher. Burial was at Beiler's Cemetery where a hymn was read by Amos Lapp, abschied by Levi King.

MAST, Martin E., 80, of Nappanee R2, Indiana

died Saturday, November 17, at his home following an illness of six months of Parkinson's Disease. He was born April 7, 1893, in Holmes County, Ohio, and was married December 21, 1922, to Susie Hochstetler, who survives. Also surviving are six sons, Eli of Shipshewana, Edward at home, Lester of Nappanee, Willis of Visilia, Calif., Harley David of Bremen and Henry of Goshen; three daughters, Mrs. Melvin (Ruby) Slabaugh of Shipshewana, Mrs. Raymond (Edna Mae) Kauffman of Mendon, Mich., and Mrs. Eli (Clara) Schwartz of Burr Oak, Mich.; 36 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. A brother and a sister preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the home of Glen A. Miller, by Bishop Toby Slabaugh and Oscar Helmuth. Burial was in the Weldy Cemetery.

MILLER, Fannie D., 20, of Dundee R1, Ohio

met instant death in a traffic accident, Nov. 8. (See front page.) She is survived by her father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Miller, with whom she resided, a brother and three sisters, Sam J. of the home, Mrs. Daniel A. Miller of Fredericksburg R1, Mrs. Jacob L. Shetler and Mrs. Enos E. Yoder, both of Dundee R1.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Joe D. Troyer. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

MILLER, Joe J. C., 51, of Geauga Co., Ohio

died Nov. 20, four days after having an operation on his heart. He entered the hospital Wed., Nov. 14 and was operated on the 16th to replace one valve and repair another one in his heart. He was in the operating room six hours, and the doctors said it was a success, but the first night his heart failed for a moment which caused his kidneys to cease to function, and soon it was learned that his condition was critical. Doctors tried everything available but could not get his kidneys to work. He lingered on for nearly four days till he peacefully passed away while the family, all but one boy, stood at his bedside. Joe had been a Rheumatic Fever victim since boyhood which left him with a defective heart. He was the oldest son of John C. and Sarah (Yoder) Miller, and died at the age of 51 yr., 3 mo., and 8 days. He leaves his wife, Sarah, daughter of Bishop Noah Bender; three sons and one daughter, Samuel, Noah, Melvin, and Agnes, all of the home.

Funeral services were held Nov. 23 at the home, by Pre. Leroy Yoder of Dover, Del. and Bishop Melvin Miller of the home church; at John J. M. Millers' home by Neal C. Hershberger and Andy R. Schmucker; and at Monroe S. Millers' home by Jonas S. Yoder and Albert M. Troyer.

MILLER, Mrs. Lizzie, 85, Millersburg R2, Ohio

was born July 1, 1888 and died Nov. 11, 1973. She was a daughter of the late Jacob and Susie Schlabach, and was married to Crist B. Miller, who preceded her in death. Surviving are five step-sons, Ben of Shipshewana, Ind., Mose of Millersburg R5, Levi of Millersburg R2, Crist of Millersburg R4, and Atlee of Sugarcreek R1; four step-daughters, Mrs. Melvin J. Raber of Topeka, Ind., Mrs. Levi D. Troyer of Millersburg R4, Mrs. Roy J. Raber of Millersburg R3, and Mrs. Roy D. M. Miller of Millersburg R2; a sister, Mrs. Katie Mast of Kalona, Iowa; 76 step grandchildren and 133 step great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the residence by Bishop Melvin A. Raber. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Clark Township.

MILLER, Lizzie D., 90, of Arthur, Illinois

died Nov. 14 at the age of 90 yr., 8 mo., and 26 days. She was born Feb. 18, 1883 a daughter of the late David S. and Lydia J. (Miller) Beachey, and was married Dec. 4, 1904 to John D. Miller, son of the late Daniel and Mattie (Garber) Miller. John died Jan. 4, 1964. To this union were born three sons and five daughters. One daughter and one son preceded her in death. Surviving are one brother, one sister, two sons, four daughters, 25 grandchildren and 71 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Saturday, Nov. 17 by Bishop Amos D. Otto and Bishop Cris Otto. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Katie G., 70, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

died at 3:10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 26 at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital after an illness of four days of pneumonia. She was the wife of Ammon H. Stoltzfus whom she married in 1926. Born in Salisbury Twp., she was a daughter of the late John K. and Rebecca (Glick) Allgyer. In addition to her husband, she is survived by the following children: John A., Bird-in-Hand R1; Lizzie, wife of Jacob Z. Riehl, Gordonville R1; Jacob K., Goshen, Ind.; Miss Rebecca Stoltzfus and Ammon H., both at home; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two brothers, David Allgyer, Lancaster, and Amos G. Allgyer, Kinzers R1, and one sister, Sallie, wife of Elam S. Stoltzfus, Gap R1. A daughter preceded her in death in 1940.

Short funeral services were held at the late home by Amos Beiler, hymn by Dea. John Beiler. Further services were held at the home of her son, John, by Bishop Aaron Beiler and John Allgyer, hymn by Dea. David Esh; at graveyard hymn was read by Dea. Christ Lapp, abschied by Amos Smoker. Burial was at Beiler's Cemetery.

WEAVER, Ruth, 16 mo., Holmes Co., Ohio

daughter of Paul E. and Fannie (Weaver) Weaver died Nov. 9 in Pomerene Memorial Hospital (see front page).

YODER, Emanuel D., 85, Dalton R2, Ohio

died Nov. 7 in his home after a long illness. He was born in Holmes County a son of the late Dan and Fannie (Miller) Yoder, and was a retired farmer. Surviving are his widow, Lizzie (Wengerd) Yoder, to whom he had been married 63 years; four daughters and four sons, Mrs. Yost (Fannie) Hostetler of Holmesville, Mrs. Eli (Katie) Weaver of Dundee R1, Mrs. Levi (Mary) Borntrager, Dan and Levi, all of Hartley, Del., Mrs. Simon (Anna) Hershberger of Wyoming, Del., David of Dover, Del., and Andy of Clovis, N. M.; a sister and two brothers, Mrs. Jacob (Barbara) Swartzentruber of Apple Creek, Sam of Fredericksburg, and Mose of Alliance; 60 grandchildren and 182 great-grandchildren. A brother, a sister, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Sam Y. Hershberger; burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

YODER, Katie Ann, 67, Guthrie R2, Kentucky

died Saturday, Nov. 24 at the Clarksville Hospital. She had been admitted about a week earlier for a gall stone operation and stood the operation fairly well. On Monday it was discovered her blood was infected and was put into intensive care. She seemed better in the middle of the week, but Friday took a turn for the worse and Saturday morning went into a coma. Death was attributed to complications. Surviving are her husband, Bishop Simon M. Yoder; two sons, Deacon Noah Yoder and Robert Yoder; six daughters, Mrs. Ben Kanagy, Mrs. Sam Swarey, Mrs. Rhoda Coblentz and Miss Sara Yoder, all of Guthrie R2; Mrs. Simon A. Yoder of Paris, Tenn., and Mrs. Freeman Schlabach of Trenton R2; two sisters, Mrs. Malinda Yoder of Abbeville, S. Carolina and Mrs. Cora Beachy of Dover, Del.; also her step mother, Mrs. Eva Miller of Dover, Del., and 39 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Nov. 27th, at the home by Eli Yoder from Va., at the church house by Eli Beachy and Richard Lambright, in the basement by Jesse M. Peachy and Norman Schrock and at the grave by Jesse Peachy.

YODER, Samuel E., 19, Apple Creek R2, Ohio

met instant death in a traffic accident on Nov. 8. (See front page.) He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli S. Yoder, two brothers and four sisters, Enos E. and Mrs. Samuel D. Miller, both of Dundee R1, David E., Lydia and Saloma, all of the home, and Mrs. Sam J. Miller of Apple Creek R2.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Harvey E. Miller Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

HUNTING ACCIDENT AT HOLMES CO., OHIO

Ivan, son of Andy M. Rabers, was hunting with two other boys on the 15th of November when a rabbit ran in the direction of Ivan. One of the other boys shot, hitting Ivan in the arm, chest and face. He is coming along good.



NOVEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Guaimace, Honduras, by Joseph Stoll

We are now in the midst of the fall planting season. The main crop for this planting is beans, mostly red kidney beans. In June, more corn is planted. We grow vegetables, of course, pretty well the year around, with the help of canal irrigation during the dry months from February to May. The past summer was a fruitful one, with good rains throughout. The corn crop was perhaps the best of any year we have been in Honduras. Our rainiest months are usually June and October. This year during the month of October we had nearly nine inches of rainfall.

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

Weather for the month was mild in general, mostly fair, with rain totaling 3.3 inches, which came in three good soakers. Temperature was mild with a cold spell from the 10th to the 12th with a low of 18 degrees on the 11th. Several days of high wind reminded us that winter is just around the corner. Farmers are shredding corn as loft space becomes available. Deer hunting was legal from Nov. 9th to 14th with a good harvest. Small game is not as plentiful as some years.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We have had a mild, dry fall, ideal for harvesting. Coldest was 24 degrees on Nov. 10, a few snow flurries the evening before. The only rain we had was 1/2 in. of cold water on the 5th and about 3/8 in. Nov. 28, in the evening, when a sudden squall came up and it rained very fast, catching many a deer hunter in the woods. The deer toll is running about like usual with quite a few, perhaps 24, being killed by the Amish here.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 1 inch.

Market Report: Fat Cattle, \$35 to \$55 Cwt.; Feeders, \$36 to \$52 Cwt.; Veal, prime, \$78 to \$90 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$42 to 44.50 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, .80 lb.; Lambs, \$35 Cwt.; Dairy Cattle at New Holland \$540 to \$950; Fowl, light, .18 lb., heavy, .25 lb.; Pullets, .48 lb.; ducks, .59 lb.; Geese, .61 lb.; Turkeys, .46 to .55 lb.; Guineas, .80 to .95 lb.; Pigeons, \$1.10 to 1.30 a pair; Large Eggs, .72 doz.; Pullet Eggs, .60 doz.; Hay, \$35 to \$84 Ton; Straw, \$43 to \$53 Ton; Corn Fodder, \$40 Ton; Ear Corn,

\$62 Ton, 2.50 Bu.; Wheat, 4.30 Bu.; Barley, 2.00 Bu.; Oats, 1.40 Bu.; Potatoes, \$6.25 to 7.00 Cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

November had very nice mild weather, a lot of 50 to 60 degree temperature, the coldest was 26 and the warmest, 73 degrees. Nov. 15 men folks were sitting out in lawns on benches in p.m. at some weddings. We had 1.2 inches rain for the month. Springs are low, but there is enough moisture in the ground for plowing. Men folks are busy plowing and hauling manure. Some that had enough ambition to husk corn by hand and cut fodder off with binder are putting in very nice corn fodder to help save that high hay bill later this winter. Farmers took advantage of the three damp days we had in later part of month to strip tobacco off of poles. Women folks are busy doing daily chores and attending Sister's Days.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens Nissley

The weather for November was mild in general. We had snow the first week, with enough snow to track a rabbit a few mornings. Then it warmed up again. A thunder shower on the 15th, snow flurries again on the 16th, eastern rain 24th to 26th. Farmers still plowing. Deer season opened Monday, 26th. Milk for November (for 3.5 test) was \$8.59 per hundred. Soybean meal \$9.55, ear corn \$55 a ton.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

No measureable rainfall in November until the latter part of the month when we got 1.1 inches. Farmers had extra good weather to bale corn fodder of which a lot was done as straw seems scarce and high in price. Some reports were, a little dry for nice plowing. So far the ground was not frozen, and a lot of cattle are still out on pasture. Six large-sized farms were sold by public auction in the Amish neighborhood this fall, but seems the prices are too high for the Amish people.

Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

The month of November was warm and dry. Late sowed wheat was slow in coming up, which gave birds a chance to eat some of the seed. The results are some bare spots in the wheat fields. The Nov. temperature range was from 70 to a low of 23 degrees with freezing temperatures on only ten days of the month. Five days saw readings in the 70's. It was the warmest November in nine years. There were 7 days with measureable amounts of rain. We had snow flurries the afternoon of the 9th, but no snow to measure. Nov. 28th we had an almost all day rain with a rainbow in the clouds towards evening. Wheat is quoted at \$4.80; Shelled Corn, \$2.50 to 2.78; October milk was \$8.59 in cans. Work among the farmers was finishing up the fall work, repair work, hauling manure, plowing, and hunting deer. Our 14 year old son, Levi M., shot a spike buck at 7 o'clock in the morning, the first day.

### Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

Mild weather during the month of November, very little rainfall, some snow flurries. Some plowing done this fall. Farmers are hauling manure. Still a lot of building going on in our area.

### Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather in Juniata was mostly fair, warm, and dry for November. Only a total of 1.45 in. rain fell all month. Except for a few nights that the ground was frozen, it was mostly fair and warm, and very nice to work outside. Lettuce and turnips are still growing. Grass is nice and green, and cows are in pasture nights yet on the first of December. Deer season opened Nov. 26 with fair weather and a larger number than usual were taken the first day. The next two days were foggy and cloudy, and visibility was very poor. December 1 came in with excellent spring-like weather. We had showers and snow squalls on Nov. 29.

### Snyder County, Pa., by Sam M. Troyer

For November we had around  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches of rain. The coldest morning was 20 degrees on the 12th, but it is often colder in the lower parts. We live on a hill. Some plowing is being done. Crops are about all gathered.

### Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine M. Swarey

November started in cool and windy. We had real cool the first ten days. Snow flurries on Nov. 9 enough to make the ground white in some places. The upper end of the valley toward Millcreek had an inch or more on the ground. More snow flurries again on Nov. 29, nice big ones. We had rain on the 23-25 of November, total rainfall 1.5 in., lowest temperature 24 degrees. The last day of November was beautiful, looked and felt like an ideal spring day. Lawns and pastures are still green. A good many children have whooping cough.

### Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for November was a bit of everything as we had quite a few very windy days. There were 8 sunshiny days, 7 partly sunny days, and also cloudy, rain, or snow. We also had quite a few warm days, especially over Thanksgiving. The first few days of deer hunting were also warm and rainy, no snow until the 29th. We had a light skiff then, but it left by the 30th.

### Lawrence County, Pa., by Mrs. Mose C. Byler

Very ideal fall weather with occasional rain. Plenty of deer with quite a number being killed. We had only two days of real snow, melted the next day both times. Capons are selling for \$1.00 and \$1.10 a pound dressed. Eggs are still a good price, 68¢ a dozen for broken ones at the sale. Some people are building, and others out investigating places to start new settlements. This location now has seven church districts, and we expect another district to be divided in the near future.

### Indiana County, Pa., by John W. Miller

The weather for the month of November was changeable in this area. There was some snow the forepart of the month. Then the weather changed to warmer and beautiful days. After the 20th it turned cooler and rained several days with high winds, turning to snow again the last of the month. It is deer hunting time. Several Amish got their buck, but lots of them missed.

### Mercer County, Pa., by Dan J. Troyer

We had about 2 inches of rain in November. It was not very cold, coldest morning was about 28 and the warmest day being about 70. There was a lot of 40 to 50 degree temperature. About an inch of snow fell on the 6th, and about 6 to 8 inches on the 10th. Another light snow the 17, but none stayed very long. Not much snow for the deer hunters, although quite a few got their deer.

### Crawford County, Pa., by Mrs. Menno E. Fisher

November had quite a few cloudy and rainy days. Farmers have finished corn husking and some are plowing, hauling manure, cutting wood for the stoves and fireplaces. Nov. 9-10 it snowed, slowly most of the time, 8 inches altogether, so the children got the sleds out. We had several unseasonably warm days in the middle of the month. Buck season opened on Nov. 26; deer seem to be plentiful. There were hardly any apples in the neighborhood this fall, so we have to do without cider.

### Conewango Valley, N. Y., by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

Temperatures were above normal for November. We had several snows, deepest around 5 to 6 inches. Deer hunting began the 19th and will close the 4th of December. Butchering has started with the colder weather at hand. The house that burned this fall for Raymond Bylers has been replaced by a new one, and they were living in it within four weeks. Menno E. Millers are building a new house and intend to move into it as soon as it's finished, possibly the beginning of January.

### Danville, Ohio, by Mrs. Tobe Hostetler

We have had a very mild fall with about one week of colder weather when the temperature dropped to the teens. Most of the time the temperature was between 30 and 40 degrees or higher. Most of the corn is husked with an abundant crop.

### Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary B. Yoder

This month was unusually warm for November. We had a lot of rain, but very little snow yet.

### Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

The month of November was really nice for fall weather. Crops are all harvested except the few late-late farmers. I thought we had a killing frost in Oct. when the tomatoes and everything froze, but today I found that the brussels sprouts and cauliflower were still growing. Deer season was open this week in Ohio. There was an eight-point buck shot on our farm on Thursday. Ray Millers from northern Indiana moved into this community.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The weather for November was mostly mild, some days sunny and warm, with temperatures as high as 70 degrees. Rainfall was about normal, and three different times we had snow, one time around six inches. We had several very windy days, at the end of the month we had a tinge of snow and 30 degree temperature, lowest here was 22 degrees.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The first part of November was quite cold with the ground frozen one morning, then cold and damp. It snowed all day on the 16th but soon melted, then had good rains. It rained three inches the last three days of the month. There is still some corn to husk on shock. Quite a bit of plowing was done this month. Lawns look nice and green again. Deer hunting is in season, quite a few were shot through here.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Lots of nice weather in November with a few showers now and then, but is not cold. It rained the last five days of the month. The bottom fields are covered with water. The live stock has been mostly outside so far. Corn shocks are mostly husked, here and there remains a field of stalk corn to be husked mechanically.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

Changeable weather during November, with an adequate amount of rain, especially during latter part of month, which helps replenish flowing springs as winter sets in. The abundant corn crop is mostly harvested.

Southeastern Holmes Co., by John L. Yoder

For the month of November we had variations of weather, some rough and high wind, some snow, also some nice and warm days, quite a bit of rainfall the later part of month. There is still some corn to husk with machines. Farm sales are coming up with dairy cows bringing high prices.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

We had ideal weather in November, the forepart was on the cool side, low of 22 on the 9th, and a few snow flurries, a little snow on the ground on the 29th. Corn was plentiful and good quality, but the price has gone up considerably the last ten days. Dry shelled corn costs \$4.50 Cwt. by truck load; Oats, 5.00 Cwt. Which isn't out of line for 42.00 Hogs. Still some large cattle on hand, which hurts the beef price. Lumber prices have backed down the last while.

by Raymond M. Troyer

We had some snow flurries, temperature in the 30's to 40's, lots of rain. Corn is about all in, was a heavy crop. Some plowing is done.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The weather so far all fall has been beautiful. We have had very little snow or cold weather. Most of the corn and soybeans have been harvested and were a good crop. Wheat fields look nearly like a picture. Some plowing is being done.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

The month of November is about gone again and left us with a lot of nice and pleasant weather, with very little freezing and cold weather. We had a few inches of nice rain. This nice weather gave the farmers a chance to get their big corn crop in, so we have many reasons to be thankful to our Lord for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us. As I am writing this, the sun is out again and the wind changing from the south to the west. It seems to be a little colder this morning; it was raining a little bit yet. There was a lot of building being done around here, but it seems to be tapering off a good bit and a lot of new homes are for sale. Some of the rubber shops are laying off help, which does not make things look too good for the laboring class.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

Rainfall for the Utica area for November was 4.24 inches, had our first snow to cover the ground on Nov. 16th, had a lot of cloudy days, and quite cold. There is still some corn out, but not too much. Price of corn is \$2.41 a bushel. Quite a few cows are on pasture yet. Potatoes are scarce and high priced, selling price is \$8.00 Cwt.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

November was a very nice month, higher than normal temperature. The first half was dry for fall plowing, but in last half had about three inches of rain, and some snow. More fall plowing has been done than usual. Wheat is looking nice.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

We had warm and damp weather most of the month, had one day of snow, but was warm enough so that it melted as fast as it fell. Corn prices at Maumee this week were \$2.80 a bushel, quite a price considering the bumper crop we have in this area. There's still quite a bit of corn in the fields for lack of room to put it, or lack of truckers to ship it to markets.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

Mild weather at the present time for the first of December. November was nice to get fall work done. We had about three inches of snow the 15th and 16th. Farmers have their fall work pretty well done and butchering has started. Beef and pork prices have dropped the last month. Deer season opened the 15th and was open till Dec. 1. Quite a number of them were shot in this county.

We welcomed the newlyweds, Earl and Erma Chupp into the community last week. They are from Indiana.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

We had some very nice days and also some pretty cold weather this month. The lowest temperature was 23 degrees, and the highest, 72 on the 15th, also a very nice Thanksgiving Day. We had quite a lot of rain lately, which makes plowing go lots better.

Ashley, Indiana, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

October was a changeable month, had thunder and rain on the 2nd, first half was wet and cloudy, had our first light frost on the 17th, nothing froze, a hard frost on the 19th. Last half had very nice days to harvest crops and husk corn. Lowest temperature was 36 degrees for October. Had a thin coat of ice on water trough, Nov. 5th, thick ice, enough to make ice cream on the 6th. Temperature was at 32 on the 7th, a heavy snow had fallen during the night, hanging to all twigs and branches, it all melted away by noon. We had a fine snow on the 9th, and down to 26 degrees, snowing and blowing all forenoon, by noon the sun came out, melting most of the snow by evening. Second week of November was warm, with temperature in the 60's, Indian Summer, nice to finish corn husking. On the 16th we had another real snow, lasting all day. Ground has plenty of moisture for plowing, of which a lot is being done. Some frolics are on the go. Lowest temperature for November was 26 degrees on the 9th, had thunder and heavy rain on the 15th. All through November were cloudy days, with some half days sunny, only a very few all day clear. None of the Amish in our area were lucky deer hunters.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

November was a very nice sunny month. For the first 14 days there was only .01 in. of rain, during the next 14 days there was 4.38 in., making a total of 4.39 inches. Farmers had very ideal weather for getting crops in. Figures for the month are: High, 68 degrees on the 14th, low, 22 on the 9th; rain, 4.39 inches; 5 clear days, 19 partly cloudy, 6 cloudy, and 8 rainy days; three thunderstorms occurred.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

November 1st had rain in the evening; 2nd, all day rain; 5th was windy and down to 24 degrees; 6th had enough snow that the ground was white; 9th was 22 degrees and two inches snow. Second week was mild weather, temperature was up to 62 degrees on the 15th, then dropped to 30, and snow, on the 16th. Thanksgiving Day was sunny and warm, then rainy and warm weather for the next six days. Not much corn is left to husk, and most of the leaf raking is done for this year.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

The first few days in November the weather was rainy and cooler, killing frosts, and on the 7th some snow flurries. Then the next few weeks the weather was beautiful, above average temperatures, in the 50's and 60's and some 70 degrees, sunny and nice. On the 20th and 21st we had some rain and wind. Thanksgiving Day dawned nice and sunny but somewhat cloudy—a beautiful day. Friday, the 23rd, we had a heavy fog but cleared off in the p.m.; Sunday, it rained a heavy shower but cleared off again. Prices seem more steady, work continues to be slow.

Nappanee, Indiana, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

The month of November was a pleasant one, with unbelievable mild temperature some days. On the 14th some children were seen outdoors barefooted! However, the month left us with a number of cloudy, rainy days. Rainfall was about average, or perhaps less than average. Farmers are doing their fall plowing. A few have started butchering, it's a little early, but many basements have empty meat shelves.

by Joni D. Gingerich

We had an exceptionally mild November weather-wise. The ground was somewhat dry, at least some of the heavier soil was hard to plow. Rain was light and scattered, until the 28th when we got 1.2 inches which soaked down fairly well. The highest temperature reading recorded by the weather station was 66 degrees, lowest was 26. It froze a thin coat of ice three different mornings. Total rainfall for the month was 2.3 inches. Crops are all gathered and yield was very good.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

We had plenty of rain in November, 7½ inches, distributed all through the month. Average morning temperature was around 40, our coldest for the month was 20, warmest, 73 degrees on the 14th. We had quite a few cloudy days the last two weeks. Crops of corn and soybeans are pretty well all harvested. Wheat looks real nice. A lot of fall plowing is being done. Lots of grain storage was built on farms this fall, more than I have ever seen. Corn is \$2.35 a bu. and soybeans, \$5.75 a bu.; Fat Hogs are 41.50 Cwt., down \$2 from a week ago; Cattle, \$41 Cwt.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather for November was mostly wet, especially the last two weeks. Ground was pretty well soaked by the 25th, then started raining again the 26th. On the evening of the 27th some roads were closed due to high water, although haven't heard of damage. We had high winds on night of 25th with some roofs being blown off, had tornado warnings several days with reports of damage in parts of Tennessee and Kentucky. Farmers that aren't finished with beans are wishing they were. Late beans were a good crop.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather for November started out very nice, had our first snow Nov. 8th, about one inch, lasted a little over two days. The morning of the 10th, the thermometer showed 20 above, by noon most of the snow was gone. Weather was mostly moderate with a shower of rain. By the 27th there was some water in fields at places. There are still several fields of corn not picked.

Reno Co., Kas. (Partridge area), by Edward A. Mast

November had continued nice harvesting weather, with a total of about one inch rainfall. The temperature was very moderate, with the lowest at 30 degrees. Most of the crops are harvested and more than average of fall plowing is being done. Wheat is getting green, but still behind in growth, very little ready for pasture.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

November had ideal harvesting weather till the 20th, following a week of rainy weather. Harvesting is well underway, far ahead of one year ago. We had our first killing frost on the 15th, being later than most years, was in favor of the late planted crops. Temperature was from 18 to 70 degrees, had no snow yet. Fall grazing was better than most years.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

We had beautiful fall weather during most of Nov. Had been mostly on dry side till 24th, then had over four inches rain. Temperature was down to 23 degrees one morning, but did not seem to hurt red beets, turnips, and similar greens. There was a lot of wheat put out in the last month, which is starting nicely. Beef prices are still dropping some; Fat Hogs holding steady; Pigs selling at 75¢ to 78¢ a lb. Milk is still going up, too.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Weather was about normal, first killing frost, Nov. 5th. Pastures and meadows are still green, most cattle are on grass yet, and haven't been fed much hay yet. Temperatures ranged from 30 to 50 mostly. No stormy weather yet but several light rains thru the month.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

We had very nice Fall weather through November, had hardly any rain from Oct. 12 to Nov. 20th. Beans and corn are mostly harvested, and yielded good, except some late planted fields didn't make quite average. We had approximately two inches rain from Nov. 20 to 30th, no snow yet this Fall, coldest morning was 22 degrees.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntrager

Crops are mostly harvested and plowing is underway, very little wheat has been sown because of our wet fall. We had fair weather, had a light shower of rain the 18th, 20th and again the 23rd. On the morning of the 28th and 29th we had cold enough to freeze the ground, our coldest so far.

The Willis Hochstetler family loaded their belongings Nov. 14 and left for Tomah, Wis. on the 15th to make that their future home.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

November had a few inches of rain, and a few snow flurries, coldest was the morning of Nov. 10-13 above zero. Crops are practically all harvested, lots of plowing done. We had a nice fall.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Weather was ideal to gather the crops, no rains for five weeks, from Oct. 12th to middle of November. Corn and beans were a good crop. We had some nice rains the last ten days, but no heavy rains. We had no frost till around Nov. 1st, 13 above was our coldest, on November 10th.

Vernon County, Wisconsin, by Amos U. Gingerich

We had very nice weather the first part of the month, had about one inch of snow on the 15th, 16 above was the coldest for the month, had a rainy spell around the 20th. The 29 and 30th were nice, sunshiny. Plowing was still being done the last part of November. Farmers are still husking corn, some are shredding corn fodder.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

November, in our area, was fair for this time of the year. We had several light snows but it didn't stay, had quite a few rainy and foggy days. Some plowing was done. Jonas B. Borntragers had public auction, Nov. 13th, and left for Salford, Ont., Canada. Edward Schmuckers had a community auction, Nov. 27th, with plans to move to Bronson, Michigan.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

November started out dull and cloudy with some rain, had our first snow for this fall the week of the 5th, then more rain and a lot of real misty mornings but nice afternoons. We had some more snow the last week in November, but is all gone again. Fall ploughing is mostly all done.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

November came in with cool wet rains which turned to snow around the 5th. It warmed up a bit and melted, but on the 9th we got about 8 inches which also was gone in a few days. The weather remained mild the rest of the month with occasional showers, and also some lovely sunny days, which must have been our Indian Summer. Corn harvesting is done, but there's still some fall plowing to do.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, by Mrs. Wm. D. Kramer

The ground is full of water, has been cloudy and rainy for four days. We had some beautiful weather through November. Coldest was 24 degrees, with one inch of snow, but was gone by next day. Most of plowing is done. Weaner pigs, 45 and fat hogs, 58 dressed weight, geese, 95 a lb. at the farm.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

November has had ample rainfall and also many warm, sunny days which enabled farmers to do much of the fall plowing. Many are completely finished and most have it well underway, which should ease some of the spring rush. Livestock and feed prices are still quite steady. The Ontario corn crop this year was a near record, both in quantity and quality.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

The month of November was mostly cloudy and damp with scattered rains throughout. We had our first snowflurries the 5th, then on the 9th it snowed several inches, but due to the mild weather it was soon all gone again. On the 29th, most of the forenoon, it snowed very thickly, but also soon all disappeared. Farmers have their corn husked and most of the ploughing is well underway. The wet weather has held it up somewhat.

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Martha M. Miller

We've had a rainy month, also some snow and cold weather. The 22nd was a lovely day, but has been cloudy since. Cows have been in the barns for awhile now.

I won't be able to write much this time, as I'm getting married on the 29th of November.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

Lots of moisture prevailed for the month of Nov. The week of the 4th was snowy, the 6th was stormy and looked like real winter. We had four inches of snow at the most, by the 15th we didn't have enough to track a deer. Since we are having rain and more rain with the odd day when it is nice and sunny. It was quite warm some days, so I guess we had our Indian Summer. Farmers are still trying to get some plowing done besides other last minute jobs. A virus is going around among horses in this community, it is contagious, a few people had to get rid of some. The horses can be sold for slaughter which brings a fair return but still not what a good horse is worth.

#### BAPTISMS

Guaimaca, Honduras

October 28

Marta Alvarez

Holmes County, Ohio

Henry, son of Ira and Amanda Kline

Ivan, son of Levi and Ida Stutzman

Barbara, daughter of John and Ida Mast

Martha, daughter of Levi and Ida Stutzman

Ben, son of Alvin and Amanda Hershberger

Aaron, son of Amon and Lydia Miller

Aden, son of John and Anna Miller

Lydia, daughter of John J. Millers

Mattie, daughter of Levi J. Miller

Alma, daughter of Jake and Ada Mast

Roman, son of Roy and Katie Miller

Ruth, daughter of Monroe and Mattie Coblentz

Dan, son of Andy and Mary Miller

Lester, son of Raymond and Mary Miller

Dale, son of Raymond and Mary Miller

Ashland, Ohio

November 26, by Bishop Simon G. Grenneman

Jonas, son of John J. and Bena Hershberger

Allen County, Indiana

October 21, by Sam C. Graber

Paul, son of Amos and Barbara (Schwartz) Graber

Louis, son of Pre. Menno and Mary Alice (Miller) Hilty

Victor, son of Amos and Viola (Graber) Gerig

Audrain County, Missouri

Northeast District, November 25

by Bishop Jake L. Petersheim

Jakie Jr., son of Bishop Jake and Katie Petersheim

Ezra, son of Falty and Fanny Miller

Jonas, son of Pre. Daniel and Lydia Beachy

Daniel, son of Mose S. and Rachel Borntrager

Tobias, son of Ed and Fannie Petersheim

Alma, dau. of Pre. Elmer and Ida Bontrager

#### A MOVING EXPERIENCE

On Oct. 17th Lester J. and Ruth Ann (Coblentz) Hershberger moved from Geauga County, Ohio to Wroxeter, Ontario, Canada to make that their future home. Their trucker, Bill Johnson from Canada, had a 20 ft. bed to haul their goods, buggy, two refrigerators, beds, dressers, wash machine, stoves and many boxes, plus two driving horses and a German Shepherd dog, and just enough room to close the tail gate.

They started at 10:30 a.m. and all went well until they arrived at the border at about 3:30, the official going down the itemized list of their personal belongings wanted to know what make refrigerator. Where as Lester said, "I don't know." "Well, find out." "We can't, it's way up front." "Well, make a path and find out," and again Lester said, "no, it's impossible." Next they had the vet examine the horses, and altho Lester had had a vet vaccinate them and filled out the papers, they weren't satisfied. They told them to take them back home and have another vet vaccinate them for VEE and send reports to Columbus, Ohio, and wait till reports return again. So the trucker decided to take them to Buffalo and leave them at the stockyards. There they agreed to care for them and call the trucker when they are ready. Three weeks later he got a call to pick them up. When he got there they wanted \$115; the trucker said he would pay \$50. They wouldn't give up, and neither did the trucker; after much arguing they agreed to sit down and figure what it cost them, and it came to \$49.15, so the trucker still agreed to pay \$50, but they insisted on \$49.15. After he got back to the border he had more trouble, five more vets examined the horses, but not without some stiff arguments with Bill, the trucker, and then they again wanted to know the make of that refrigerator and Bill said, "I don't know." "Well, call Lester and find out." Bill said, "he doesn't have a phone." "Well, how come?" "Because he is Amish." "Call up his neighbor." "How do I know who his neighbor is, I don't know anyone up there." "Stupid!" said the officar, and Bill got mad and pushed past him and upstairs to see the big boss, where he told him what the other officar called him, so he made him come up and apologize to Bill. Well, he finally got out of there but too late to deliver the horses to Lester's that night, so he delivered them the next day. Total cost for trucking, vet, feed, etc., \$290. This does not include household goods.

#### CONEWANGO VALLEY, N. Y. ACCIDENT

Verna and Ada A. Miller had an upset when their horse scared from a milk truck. They were not injured except for bruises, but the buggy was in need of quite a bit of repairs.

#### ONTARIO MAN HAS BROKEN ANKLE

Levi J. Miller, 39, of Springford R1, Ontario, broke his ankle on Nov. 7 when the scaffold broke while he was nailing a porch roof. One of the bones was splintered which required an operation to pin it.



## ORDINATIONS

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Abner Z. Glick, 24, Quarryville R3, was ordained deacon in the Greentree District. He is a son of Bishop John S. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick. His wife, Barbara, is a daughter of Bishop Samuel S. and Sarah (Esh) Kauffman of Nine Points. With him in the lot were Moses Glick, John E. Lapp, Benjamin King, Bennie Fisher and Reuben Esh, Oct. 12.

Christian L. King, 30, Kinzers R1, was ordained minister in the Lower Pequea Spring Garden North District, Oct. 13. He is a son of Daniel E. and Mary (Lapp) King. His wife, Elsie, is a daughter of Pre. Aaron S. and Mary (Stoltzfus) King of Lancaster. With him in the lot were Melvin Stoltzfus, Benueel Stoltzfus, John Zook, Isaac Stoltzfus, Samuel King, and Daniel Stoltzfus.

John K. Beiler, 45, Quarryville R3, was ordained bishop in the South Beaver Creek District, Oct. 18. He was ordained minister in 1962. His wife, Mary, is a daughter of Sam M. and Sylvia (Glick) Esch of Intercourse. With him in the lot was Pre. Amos K. King.

## Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Christian L. Esh, 31, Newburg R1, was ordained minister. He is a son of Stephen and Sarah (Lapp) Esh of Gordonville R1, Pa. His wife, Sadie, is a daughter of Jacob and Rebecca (King) Smucker of Gap R1, Pa. With him in the lot were Jonathan H. Beiler, Daniel King and John Petersheim.

## Centreville, Michigan

Noah Hostetler, 25, was ordained minister in the Wm. P. Miller District. He was from Missouri. His wife, Miriam, is a daughter of Roman N. Miller.

## Allen County, Indiana

Victor Graber Jr. was ordained bishop in West Spencerville District, October 21.

## Elkhart County, Indiana

David Yoder, 30, Goshen R1, was ordained minister, October 7. He is a son of Henry A. and Mary (Miller) Yoder. His wife, Mary Ellen, is a daughter of the late Perry and Wilma (Schrock) Wingard.

Freeman S. Miller, 42, Goshen R1, was ordained minister in the Milo J. K. Miller Clinton District, October 14. He is a son of Sam W. and Lovina (Stauffer) Miller. His wife, Edna H., is a daughter of Henry S. and the late Lydia Ann (Troyer) Frye.

## Adams County, Indiana

Jacob J. Eicher, 34, was ordained minister in the East District, October 1. He is a son of Mrs. Joe and the late Mr. Eicher. He is married to Edith D. J. Schwartz.

Abe R. Yoder, 23, was ordained minister in the East District, October 1. He is a son of Pre. and Mrs. Truman Yoder and is married to Rosie A. Schwartz. They were married May 4, 1972.

Joseph N. Schwartz was ordained deacon in the Southeast District, October 14. He is married to Leah Graber.

## Nappanee, Indiana

Walter J. Schwartz, 32, Etna Green R1, was ordained bishop in the Bishop Amos Graber Southeast Millwood District, October 27. He is a son of Joseph and Martha (Slabaugh) Schwartz. His wife, Arlene, is a daughter of Daniel and Clara (Miller) Kemp.

## Pike County, Missouri

Peter C. Burkholder, 28, was ordained bishop in the Southwest District.

## Jamesport, Missouri

Leroy Schrock, 42, was ordained deacon in the West District, Nov. 18. He is a son of Sam Schrock and his wife is Sara, daughter of Abe Garvers, both of Kansas.

## Buchanan County, Iowa

Eddie D. Bontrager, 37, was ordained minister in the Southeast District, Oct. 21, out of a lot of six.

Phillip Yoder, 34, was ordained bishop in the Southwest District, October 28.

## Johnson County, Iowa

Vernon Bontrager, 32, was ordained deacon in the Truman Miller District, October 14. He is a son of Eli S. and Delila (Miller) Bontrager. His wife, Alta, is a daughter of Joe and Emma Hershberger.

Norman H. Miller was ordained deacon in the Glen Bender District, October 28. He is a son of Bishop Henry B. Millers. His wife is a daughter of Pete A. Burkholders.

## Milverton, Ontario, Canada

David K. Kuepfer, 31, Milverton R2, was ordained deacon in the Upper West District, October 7. He is a son of Chris Kuepfer. There were 5 others in the lot.

## MARRIAGES

## Dover, Delaware

Mast, Miller – Daniel, son of Dea. Dan B. and Sadie Mast, and Betty, daughter of Jacob N. and Mary Ann Miller, Nov. 15, by Bishop Jonas Coblentz.

## Bradford County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Yoder – Valentine, son of John and Rosa Nissley, and Lizzie, daughter of Dan and Lovina Yoder, November 15, by Bishop Roy Nissley.

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Fisher, Lapp – Reuben, son of Ammon and Sarah Fisher, and Lydia, daughter of David M. and Salome Lapp, November 15, by Bishop Isaac. H. Zook.

Zook, Stoltzfus – Simeon, son of Henry and the late Leah Zook, and Sara Ann, daughter of Reuben and Fannie Stoltzfus, November 20, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Lapp, Zook – Jonathan, son of Levi and Annie Lapp, and Mary, daughter of Isaac and Mattie Zook. Esh, Zook – Stephen, son of Amos and the late Leah Esh, and Rachel, daughter of Isaac and Mattie Zook, November 22, by Bishop John D. Peachey.

## Guaimaca, Honduras

Martin, Stoll – John, son of John Martin (deceased) and Fannie (Nolt) Martin, and Sarah, daughter of Peter Stoll (deceased) and Anna (Wagler) Stoll, September 15, by Bishop Monroe Hochstetler.

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Weaver, Yoder – Ivan, son of Andy A. and Ida Weaver, and Katie, daughter of Pre. Leroy S. and Amelia Yoder, November 8, by Bishop Tobias J. Petersheim.

## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Peachey – Ivan, son of Rudy and Rebecca Byler, and Katie, daughter of David N. and Lydia Peachey, November 1, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler.

Swarey, Yoder – David M., son of Dea. John D. and Mary Swarey, and Katie, daughter of David and Barbara Yoder, November 6, by Bishop David Riehl.

Peachey, Kanagy – Jonas, son of Pre. Daniel L. and Fannie Peachey, and Ella, daughter of Henry and Katie Kanagy, Nov. 13, by Bishop Emanuel Peachey.

Swarey, Yoder – David I., son of Rebecca and the late David C. Swarey, and Katie, daughter of Dea. Amos and Mollie Yoder, November 15, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler.

Renno, Peachey – John B., son of Crist and Leah Renno, and Lavina, daughter of David C. and Lizzie Peachey, November 20, by Bishop Crist B. Peachey.

Peachey, Peachey – Louie, son of Eli D. and Linda Peachey, and Lomie, daughter of Ezra and Malinda Peachey, Nov. 22, by Bishop Joshua Renno.

## Indiana County, Pennsylvania

Miller, Troyer – Ervin, son of Pre. Wm. G. and Lizzie (Fisher) Miller, and Mary, daughter of Dea. Melvin B. and Jemima (Schlabach) Troyer, November 22, by Bishop Jake E. Schlabach.

## New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

Byler, Byler – Jona. W., son of William R. and Sarah J. (Byler) Byler, and Sadie A., daughter of Amos E. and Anna M. (Byler) Byler, November 1.

Byler, Byler – David, son of Dave V. and Emma (Kurtz) Byler, and Sarah J., daughter of Jacob J. and Lydia R. (Byler) Byler, November 22.

## Crawford County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Marner – Levi, son of Moses and Barbara Troyer, Apple Creek, Ohio, and Sylvia, daughter of Leroy and Ruth Marner, Springboro, Pa., November 22, Thanksgiving Day, by Dan J. Gingerich, Plain City, Ohio. This was the first Amish wedding in Conneautville.

## Ashland County, Ohio

Keim, Troyer – Ammon, son of Jonas and Mary Keim, and Mattie, daughter of Abe and Alma Troyer, November 1.

Raber, Garber – Noah, son of Pre. Henry and Katie Raber, and Anna, daughter of Ura and Katie Garber, November 15.

## Geauga County, Ohio

Hershberger, Coblentz – Gideon, son of Milo and Nannie Hershberger, and Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe D. Coblentz, November 1, by Bishop Andy C. Byler.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Coblentz – Albert, son of Andy A. and Amanda (Yoder) Yoder, and Ruth, daughter of Monroe and Mattie (Hostetler) Coblentz, October 9.

Troyer, Stutzman – Atlee, son of Eli R. and Amanda (Hershberger) Troyer, and Katie, daughter of Perry A. and Sarah (Miller) Stutzman, November 1.

Yoder, Yoder – Aden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah L. Yoder, and Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Yoder of Baltic R1, November 1.

Raber, Miller – Robert, son of Eli E. and Fannie Raber, and Amanda, daughter of Mrs. John A. Miller, November 1, by Joe J. Yoder.

Miller, Keim – Eli, son of Gideon and Clara Mullet, and Esther, daughter of Aden J. and Sevilla Miller, November 3, by Andy J. Mast.

Miller, Raber – Mose, son of Dan J. D. and Mary (Yoder) Miller, and Katie, daughter of Levi Y. and Amanda (Troyer) Raber, November 6, in Andy E. Yoder District.

Hershberger, Yoder – Joas, son of Henry J. and Katie Hershberger, and Martha, daughter of Atlee L. and Emma (Stutzman) Yoder, November 8, by Bishop Jacob Troyer.

Yoder, Yoder – Owen, son of Bishop Andy E. and Laura Yoder, and Esther, daughter of Lloyd and Emma Yoder, Nov. 8, by Bishop Roy L. Schlabach.

Byler, Coblentz – Joe Byler of Geauga County, and Susie, daughter of Dan W. and Annie (Shrock) Yoder, November 8, by Noah J. Coblentz.

Wengerd, Slabach – Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mose C. Wengerd of Millersburg R2, and Betty, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Manelius Slabach of Millersburg R2, November 8.

Miller, Schlabach – Daniel, son of Roman J. and Fannie Miller, and Edna, daughter of Olen J. and Ella Schlabach, Nov. 22, by Bishop Jacob M. Mast.

Miller, Wengerd – Reuben, son of Mose P. and Amanda (Hershberger) Miller, and Mattie, daughter of Valentine and the late Lizzie (Weaver) Wengerd, November 29.

Yoder, Yoder – Roman, son of Noah N. and Susan (Yoder) Yoder, and Ella, daughter of Em. A. and Fannie (Yoder) Yoder, November 29.

## Allen County, Indiana

Hershberger, Kauffman – Widower Pre. Reuben E. Hershberger of Bronson R1, Mich., and Miss Kathryn, daughter of the late Jacob L. and Barbara (Eicher) Kauffman of New Haven R1, Ind., November 22, by Bishop Wallace Hershberger of Bronson R1, Mich.

## Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Eicher – Joe R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno N. Eicher, Bryant R1, and Ida V., daughter of Mrs. Mel Eicher, Berne R2, November 11.

Hilty, Schwartz – John K., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hilty, Bryant R1, and Sarah H., daughter of Pre. and Mrs. Henry H. Schwartz, November 22.



## MARRIAGES, Continued

## LaGrange County, Indiana

Eash, Miller – Ernest, son of Perry and Esther (Miller) Eash, and Wilma, daughter of Ervin J. and Mary (Lambright) Miller, October 31, by Bishop Amzie Troyer.

Schrock, Gingerich – Truman Jr., son of Truman and Lizzie (Graber) Schrock, and Edna, daughter of Melvin and Fannie (Miller) Gingerich, November 1, by Bishop Perry L. Bontrager.

Yoder, Miller – Harley, son of Ezra M. and Sue (Miller) Yoder of Topeka, and Ruth Etta, daughter of Sylvanus and Mary (Yoder) Miller of Nappanee, Nov. 1.

Mullet, Bontrager – Ervin, son of Ira and Mattie (Schlabach) Mullet of Topeka, and Arlene, daughter of Ora and Alma (Miller) Bontrager of Milton, Iowa, November 1. The wedding was held near Topeka, Ind. at the home of the bride's aunt, the Ora Beachys.

Miller, Hochstedler – Elmer, son of Joni J. and Susie (Bontrager) Miller, and Mary, daughter of Chris C. and Saloma (Christner) Hochstedler, November 8.

Miller, Miller – Samuel, son of Enos and Katie (Wingard) Miller, and Ada, daughter of Ben C. and Katie (Glick) Miller, November 8, by Bishop Henry N. Miller.

Miller, Bontrager – Joseph, son of Ervin C. and Sarah (Bontrager) Miller, and Ida Ellen, daughter of Dan B. and Wilma (Wingard) Bontrager, November 8.

Lehman, Miller – Dennis, son of Elva and Ida Mae (Miller) Lehman, and Mary Sue, daughter of Samuel and Fannie (Miller) Miller, November 8.

Yoder, Lehman – Orlis, son of Virgil and Lena Yoder of Centreville, Mich., and Mary Etta, daughter of Edward and Celesta (Hochstedler) Lehman by the bride's uncle, Ervin Lehman, November 22.

Miller, Miller – Orville, son of John Jr. and Frieda (Miller) Miller, and Nettie Irene, daughter of Simon A. B. and Anna (Hostetler) Miller, November 22.

Miller, Jones – Dewayne, son of the late Harvey and Martha (Hochstedler) Miller, and Ruth, daughter of Levi and Amanda (Gingerich) Jones, November 22.

## Nappanee, Indiana

Wingard, Miller – Furman, son of Nora (Miller) and the late Joe Wingard of Shipshewana, and Barbara, daughter of John H. N. and Amanda (Plank) Miller of Nappanee, October 17, by Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh.

Miller, Eash – Clarence, son of Jake and Mary Ann (Miller) Miller, and Verna, daughter of Henry and Abbie (Miller) Eash of Topeka, October 25.

Yoder, Miller – Roman, son of Ezra Yoders of Topeka, and Ruth Etta, daughter of Sylvanus and Mary (Yoder) Miller, October 25.

Bontrager, Yoder – Henry, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Bontrager of Topeka, and Etta Fern, 24, daughter of Mrs. Mary and the late Earl D. Yoder of Milford, Indiana, November 8.

Bontrager, Yoder – Henry, son of Emanuel and Abbie (Raber) Bontrager, Topeka, and Etta Fern, daughter of Mrs. Mary (Stutzman) and the late Earl Yoder, November 8.

Gingerich, Chupp – Ben, son of Ben Gingerichs of Topeka, and Linda, daughter of John and Katie (Yoder) Chupp, November 15.

Barkman, Chupp – Sam E., son of Pre. Enos Barkmans of Geauga Co., Ohio, and Mary, daughter of Emanuel and Sara Mae (Miller) Chupp, November 22.

Chupp, Troyer – Earl, son of Pre. Eli and Ella (Miller) Chupp of Middlebury, and Erma, daughter of Melvin and Lizzie (Stutzman) Troyer, November 24.

## Arthur, Illinois

Gingerich, Miller – Serenas, son of Ben and Sovilla (Yoder) Gingerich, and Carolin, daughter of Elmer and Mandy (Herschberger) Miller, September 6.

Herschberger, Miller – Eugene, son of Min. Andy and Rosa (Herschberger) Herschberger of Howard Co., Ind., and Edna Mae, daughter of Levi H. and Lydia (Otto) Miller, September 13.

Chupp, Schrock – Daniel, son of Menno J. and Sarah (Gingerich) Chupp, and Lorene, daughter of Ben and Lucy (Miller) Schrock, October 4.

Miller, Bontrager – Darius, son of Aaron and Lena (Kaufman) Miller, and Mary Ellen, daughter of Ben H. Bontragers at Haven, Kansas, October 11.

Kaufman, Schrock – Daniel, son of Daniel and Malinda (Miller) Kaufman, and Edna Mae, daughter of Fred and Esther (Miller) Schrock, November 1.

Yoder, Miller – Oba, son of Ervin J. and Mattie (Jess) Yoder, and Betty, daughter of Ervin J. and Mary (Diener) Miller, November 29.

## Jamesport, Missouri

Yoder, Troyer – Ivan, son of Henry A. and Ida (Beachy) Yoder, and Fannie, daughter of Andy N. and Emma Hostetler, Nov. 1, by Bishop Dan Stutzman.

## Audrain County, Missouri

Yoder, Miller – Daniel, son of Elmer Yoders, and Sarah, daughter of Menno Millers, October 4.

Shetler, Miller – Mose, son of Valentine L. Shetlers, and Clara, daughter of Ezra Millers, on Oct. 25, by Bishop Atlee Shetler from Buchanan Co., Ia.

Yoder, Miller – Eli, son of Dea. Chris J. Yoders, and Anna, daughter of Dea. Tobias Millers, Oct. 30.

Borntrager, Bontrager – William, son of Dea. Daniel and Susie Borntrager, and Mattie, daughter of Pre. Elmer and Ida Bontrager, November 15, by Bishop Chris Borntrager, Amherst, Wisconsin.

Borntrager, Borntrager – Levi, son of Mose B. and Mattie Borntrager, and Lizzie, daughter of Dea. Daniel and Susie Borntrager, November 20, by Bishop Levi J. Bontrager, Hazleton, Iowa.

## Buchanan County, Iowa

Nisly, Helmuth – Emanuel, son of Bishop John Nisly, and Catherine, daughter of Eli Helmuth, October 11, by Bishop John Nisly, Hazleton, Iowa.

## Cashton, Wisconsin

Borntrager, Miller – Christ, son of Pre. Ben and Mary Borntrager of Wilton, Wis., and Ada, daughter of Pre. Gid A. Millers of Cashton, November 8.

## Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Kauffman – Jerry, son of Pre. Toby Millers, and Irene, daughter of Abe Kauffmans, October 18, by the groom's brother, Bishop Elmer T. Miller.

Miller, Miller – Marvin, son of Edwin Ray Millers, and Freda, daughter of Bishop Truman Millers, on November 1, by Bishop Truman Miller.

Miller, Mast – Henry T., son of Toby Miller, and Edna, daughter of Pre. Sam Mast, November 22, by the groom's brother, Bishop Elmer T. Miller.

Hochstedler, Schlabach – Lloyd, son of Sylvan Hochstedler, and Miriam, daughter of Jacob Schlabach, December 6.

## Milverton, Ontario

Kuepfer, Kuepfer – Amos, son of Chris and Rebecca Kuepfer, Linwood R1, and Clara, daughter of Israel and Esther (Albrecht) Kuepfer, Millbank R1, by Bishop Joe K. Jantzi.

## Wroxeter, Ontario

Hershberger, Hershberger – Ray, son of Jacob J. and Sylvia (Yoder) Hershberger, and Martha, daughter of Levi L. and Sarah (Miller) Hershberger, September 27, by Bishop Jacob Eicher of Elgin County..

Hochstetler, Yoder – Orva, son of the late Jerome Hochstetlers of Topeka, Ind., and Anna Mary, dau. of Eli and Sovilla (Yoder) Yoder, October 18, by Bishop Noah S. Byler.

Miller, Yoder – Ferdinand, son of Levi and Eva (Yoder) Miller, and Mabel, daughter of Alvin A. Yoder, November 22, by Noah S. Byler.

Detweiler, Miller – John Ray, son of Henry J. and Anna (Miller) Detweiler, and Martha Marie, dau. of Joni D. and Lydia (Yoder) Miller, November 29, by Noah S. Byler.

"Our times are in HIS HANDS Who said,  
'A whole I planned, youth shows but half;  
TRUST GOD; see all, nor be afraid.'"

Browning

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## AVOID HARSH AND CRUEL WORDS.

As Martha Spencer came home from school, one afternoon, her mother saw, by her looks and manner, that she was displeased with something, and asked her to tell what it was.

"Oh, it is not much!" said Martha. "I said something to Frances Newton, which she did not like, and she burst out crying, as if her heart would break. When I saw how bad she felt, I wished I had not spoken as I did. And yet I was provoked at her for making such ado about it; for, after all, it was nothing to get so vexed about."

"Why, I thought that you and Frances Newton were real friends. I should be very sorry to have any thing happen to break your friendship. What did you say to wound her feelings?"

"I said she was a cross and disobliging girl. And so she was,—or, at least, has been to-day; for she has not done a single thing that any of the girls wished her to do. She would not play with us during recess; and she would not assist little Ida Burns about her sums, though she could have done it as well as not."

"I never heard you complain of Frances before. Is she not usually kind and obliging?"

"Oh, yes, mother! I think she is as pleasant and obliging as any girl in school; but to-day she has been quite otherwise."

"If that is the case, I think you spoke very harshly to her this afternoon. Perhaps she has been in trouble to-day, and what you have called crossness, has only been sadness. If this should prove to be the case, would you not feel some self-reproach for the way in which you spoke to her?"

"Yes, mother; if I knew this was the case, I should feel very sorry for it, indeed."

The next night, when Martha returned from school, she sat down by her mother's side, and, burying her face in her lap, began to cry.

"Why, Martha, what is the matter with you now? Why do you weep so?" asked her mother.

"Oh, mother, Frances Newton's dear little brother is dead! It was because she felt afraid he would die, that she was so sad yesterday. Oh, I am so sorry I called her cross, and spoke unkindly to her, that I can never forgive myself!

"She told me all about it to-day. She said that just before she came to school yesterday morning, she heard her mother say to her father, 'I think our little Henry is a very sick child. I fear we shall have to part with him.'"

"These words made her feel so sad all day, that she could not play, or hardly speak to any one. Two or three times she tried to tell us what the matter was; but her heart was so full, and there seemed to be such a choking in her throat, that she could not speak of it.

"When she went home at night, she found her dear little brother a great deal worse, and about sunset he died. How sad she must have felt! and then to think that I should add to her sorrow, by speaking so unkindly. Oh, if I could only take back those cruel words!"

"That you can not do," said her mother; "and I hope this painful lesson will teach you never to speak harshly or unkindly to others. Kind and gentle words are always harmless, and they often prove a balm to some sorrowing heart. How much pleasure it would now give you, if you had spoken gently to Frances yesterday!"

"Indeed it would, mother. I can not tell how sorry I am for the cruel words I spoke; and I hope I shall learn from it to be always kind and gentle to others."





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Jacob Roth originating from Bern, Parish Steffinsburg, here thirty years, and his wife, Anne Frey, his father-in-law, Ulrich Frey, his son, Hans, his nephew, Peter Lichti, and Henry Schmucker and his nephew, Samuel Stoll. Matthieu Ulrich, his wife, Catherine Zimmerman, his two sons, Hans and Christ. Hans was married to Anne Roth; Christ married Catherine Schindner, their servant, Freni Boessingers who came from Bern, and another Elizabeth Mosimans. Isaac Linder and Madeleine Gnaumann (Gehman), his son-in-law, Hans Gaumann, his servant, Magdelaine Meyer and Catherine Lichti. Peter Kraubuehl, his wife, Catherine, their son, Hans Kraubuehl, his wife, Elizabeth Graber, his daughter, Catherine, married to Pierre Grabuehl, their servant, Rosine Ulli. Jacob Neuhauser, his wife Elizabeth Reinacher, Christ Koller and his wife, Freni Haller, Casper Schlineger, his wife, Elizabeth Kauffman. Peter Klauer, his sister-in-law, Anne Zingt, Hans Schumacher, his wife, Elizabeth Hochstetler, Scheine Oberli, his wife, Anne Swartz, Hans Kauffman, his wife, Scheini Schwarri, Jost Joder, his wife, Anne Kropft, Pierre Hochstetler, his wife, Anne Rottefel, Hans Graber, his wife, Catherine Farni, and three sons, Hans, Pierre and Ulrich, also two daughters, Elizabeth, Valleyand and Elizabeth Hochstetler and Marguerite Hochstetler.

Christ Joder, Christ Gaeuman, Jacob Eicher, Daniel Graber, Hans Schmuckli and his wife, Anneli von Kennel, her sister, Catherine von Kennel, were all born in this country (France). Hans Joder, his wife, Freni Zimmerman, Jacob Schwartz, Uli Schmucker and his wife, Baebi Schwartz, their servant, Hans Meyer, Jacob Lichti, his wife, Baebi Roth, Hans Roth and Magdeleine Blaser, all born in this country. Peter Schmucker, his wife, Baebi Lindter, Jacob Schmuckli, his wife, Catherine Roth, Hans Wittmer, his wife, Catherine Allimann from Sumiswald (Switzerland), Hans Conrad, his wife, Marguerite Reich, Hans Buehler, his wife, Marguerite Huntzinger, Daniel Weiss, his wife, Marrey Schmuckli, Jacob Frey, Hans and Jacob Reich.

The increasing of the Mennonite in the territory has two reasons. The more their enemies tried to destroy them, the more they helped each other to survive. They formed among themselves something like a republic, being not only competent for agriculture, raising of cattle, production of cheese, keeping sheep, but also as veterinarians, their own doctors and pharmacists, using old prescriptions. They were their own weavers, famous for their Halbeline, their own tailors using the recommendation of Jacques (Jacob) Ammann in making their dresses. The Anabaptists were not only in opposition to the religious beliefs, they had also their own law system, their own rules and government. The Mennonites always admitted the necessity of laws, but what they never admitted to was that this law could be placed instead of God's law.

The records of Mennonites before and during the revolution are not very complete, because they didn't

write an account of history. They gave their children lessons based on the Bible. The record of the Mennonite community, not having continued after 1750, doesn't mention the first installation. It only mentions main events like baptisms and marriages, it lists names of officials (*diener des worts und diener der notdurft*).

We already know that the Swiss Anabaptists had established themselves in Alsace during the 17th century. In 1731 a Stucky family had come from Oberhoffen (Switzerland), moved to Foussemagne, where they lived until 1739. In 1738 Hans Kauffman from Steffisburg (Switzerland) left his home in Basel and moved to Morschwiller, bringing along his son, Hans. In 1745 his wife, Frena, followed him and together with the Boesingers, they founded La Nacape. Later they were joined by the Kloppenstein family.

From 1740 on the pacifistic conquest of the Anabaptists began. (Note how this date marks the beginning of the heaviest migration to our Fatherland in America.) The first imprisonment to be recorded happened to Ulrich Boesinger in 1745. For his release he had to turn in 60 lbs. of butter. Ulrich Thuebler and his wife, Verene Steiner, were thrown into prison and had to pay 25 lbs. of butter each month for nearly a year, one bag of potatoes, and the crop of two apple trees.

At this time the Anabaptists were getting interested in fishing. No matter how industrious, intelligent, or how hard they worked, they never could get much of a profit for themselves. In 1780, 362 Anabaptists had been put into prison.

So far the Anabaptists had never publicly announced any complaints. In 1779 a certain official observed a note from a certain Mennonite. "I was sentenced to 18 to 24 months in prison. After my release I had to pay several pounds in crops. Since I was not able to pay immediately, I was sentenced again, this time for nine years. No one could give a fair reason for my sentence.

Several other notes were given out by the Anabaptists, however the revolution was approaching fast, no attention was given to either of the complaints. The same was true for other Mennonite communities in Montbeliard, Alsace and Lorraine.

Much more could be written concerning the Mennonite Church in Eastern France during and after the French Revolution. Our last given date here (1779) has already outdated the main movement of our church from Europe to our fatherland. Although there were numerous moves from France to Somerset County, Pennsylvania and points west and to Canada until the middle of the following century, we prefer to close our topic at this point. In a following article we want to resume this work on a brief study of the 1696 schism.

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## OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

### The Question of Military Service

Continued from last month

In 1723 Leopold Eberhard died. The principle authorities of Montbeliard changed policies, whereby they soon decreed that it is forbidden for the farmers in the county of Montbeliard to acquit the produce of their leases by their own hand or by the hands of the bailiff under the penalty of paying a second time. A description of the Anabaptist families shows how much their numbers grew in a short time. This list reveals family names which are new to us in this section: Hans Ober, Ulrich Neuhauser, Jacob Eicher, Ulrich Frey, Hans Gnagi, Christ Schindler, Samuel Wittwer, Hans Schurch, Peter Klayr, Daniel Graber, Mathis Graber, Melchoir Muller, Simon Huntzinger, Michel Muller, Andreas Sommer, Hans Riest, Christ Kropff, Hans Blank, Jost Joder, Hans Reinhardt, Peter Greybuhl, Peter Beck, Christ Ummel, Hans Eicher, Hans Henner, Felix Aischmann, Peter Graber, Hans and Christ Hochstetler, Hans Zender, Joseph Schruch, another Hans Blank, Hans Baumgartner, Hans Ulrich and Jacob Blank. The total family heads reached seventy one. Note: Since many of

this list are of a younger generation it is quite possible that some of these are of our fatherland immigrants, as we will see later.

### The Situation under Prince Eberhard Louis, The Ruler of Montbeliard in the Regions of Belfort before the French Revolution

The governor of the region thought the Mennonites to be conscientious, industrious, economical, and prompt in paying their taxes. They were often preferred, by the governor, to other citizens and this attracted opposition towards them among the common people. In consequence, they exempted the Mennonites from certain public charges. When in July 1723, Eberhard Louis, successor of his cousin, Leopold Eberhard, started renewing his administration. In the same year Eberhard Louis proclaimed that the Mennonites were not only to be tolerated but favored. However, complaints were still coming in from all corners. They accused the Swiss of having too much property, whereby the Duke decided in 1727 that in order to defend the citizens they could close their property against the foreigners without having asked for special permission. At the time of his death in 1733 their number was reduced to a few. Note: This date marks a beginning of the first Swiss settlers coming to Eastern Pennsylvania and Berks County.

At Montbeliard there were Hans Schirk, Hans Zimmerman, Christ Schindler, Peter Klauer, Hans von Kennel, Abram Hablitzler, Jacob Roth, Ulrich Neuhauser, Hans Ober, Jacob Euecher (Eicher), Simon Huntzinger; at Vernoy, J. Hans Blank, in Sainte Susanne, Peter Kraeybuehr; at Etupes, Ulrich Reinhart and Jacob Neuhauser; in Vieux-Charmant, Peter Roth; in Dambenois, Jost Joder; in Brognard, Jacob Schwartz; in Clairegotte, Hans Hochstetler.

Yet this situation didn't last; on the one side the Swiss families were numerous and their grown up children were looking for farms; on the other side the members of the council, the citizens, and the owners of land were interested only in using their land with the help of the Anabaptists.

As farmers, the Mennonites were still favored to all other farmers. They knew agriculture, they made good use of the land, they got the most out of it. The question that developed during this time of transition was that of exempting the Mennonites from public charges. Under the rulership of Eberhard Louis, there were plans among the farmers to have pasture. In 1733 Hans Ober, Jacob Eicher and Jacob Roth had permission to keep 50 sheep. The question was not settled until 1742. The Anabaptists of Goutte, of Petite Holland, and of Montchevy are forbidden to have more than 30 sheep. During the time of confusion in the administration that lasted until 1748, the Anabaptists recovered and multiplied in spite of the difficulties. Note: This time marks the dates of the heaviest flow of immigrants into our Fatherland. We find another list of the Duke of Montbeliard, of special interest.

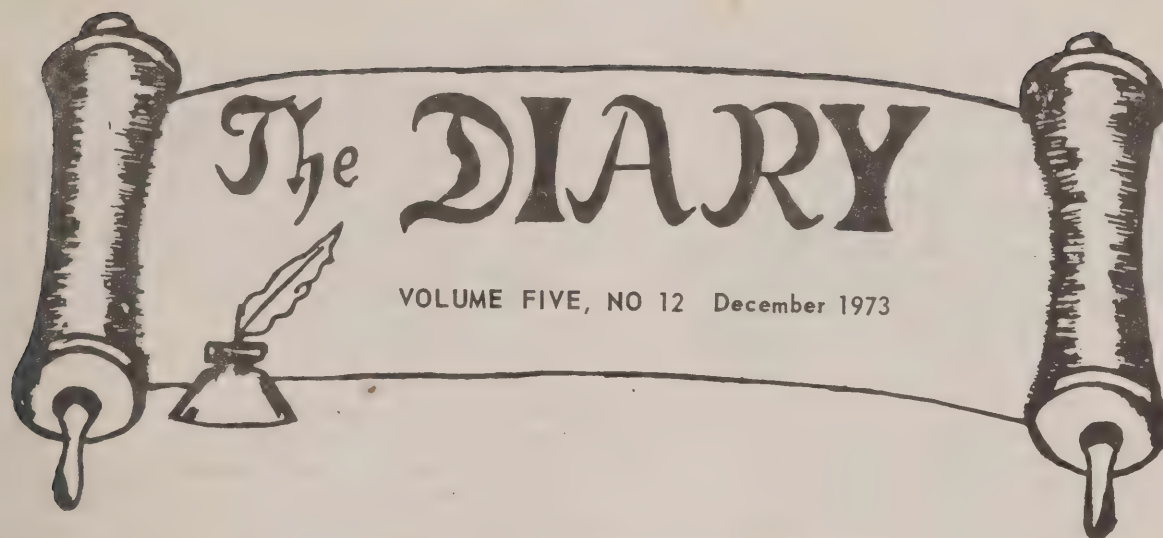
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### MO. WOMAN KILLED IN PA.

Mrs. Rosa Wagler, 54, Bowling Green, Mo., wife of Dea. Ezra Wagler, was instantly killed December 11, at 5 a.m. when hit by a high speeding car while crossing the highway to board a bus in Snyder County, Pennsylvania where they had been visiting their son Jacob of Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. (See obituary)

### GUNSHOT WOUNDS FATAL TO MO. CHILD

Emma, 10-year-old daughter of Andy C. and Anna (Hochstetler) Gingerich of Jamesport, Missouri, was accidentally shot at 10:30 p.m. Monday evening, December 24. Her older sisters were preparing eats for the next day (Christmas) and the younger children were playing in the house, when her 13-year-old brother picked up a 22 caliber automatic rifle and attempted to empty it (it had been filled earlier in preparation for coyote shooting), when the gun discharged, striking Emma in the shoulder. The bullet passed through her body, severing her jugular vein and wind pipe. She died minutes after the accident happened. (See obituary)

### Community Note - Nappanee, Indiana

Paul, 19, son of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller of Milford, Ind., who started teaching school at Pleasant valley School last fall, was taken to Goshen General Hospital Dec. 2nd. He has Lukemia and needs blood transfusions. He suffers much headache and nose bleeding. He showed enough improvement to be released from the hospital Jan. 1st.

### PORTAGE CO., WIS. MISHAP

Daniel Schmuckers had the misfortune of having a little runaway while the boys were unhitching the horse in a double buggy. Before one side was all unhitched they removed the bridle and the horse took off, overturning the buggy, damaging it some, but luckily no one was injured.

### CHRISTMAS DAY ACCIDENT FATAL TO 3 MERCER CO., PA. YOUTHS

Three young boys were killed in an accident on Christmas Day when a car and a pick-up truck collided. The boys, all 18 years old, were Neal, son of Dan J. (reporter for The Diary) and Lizzie Troyer; John, son of John H. Hochstetler (his mother was Sarah A. Byler who died 16 years ago); and Melvin, youngest son of Jake M. and Amelia Byler. The accident happened around six p.m. and also killed the elderly couple in the truck. They had to work several hours to get the boys out. (see obituaries)

### OAKLAND, MD., ACCIDENT

Mark, son of John N. Yoders of Oakland, Md., had a painfull accident when hammering on some dynamite. It exploded in some way and took off the tips of all four fingers and thumb on his left hand. He was taken to the Oakland Hospital for treatment and was admitted.

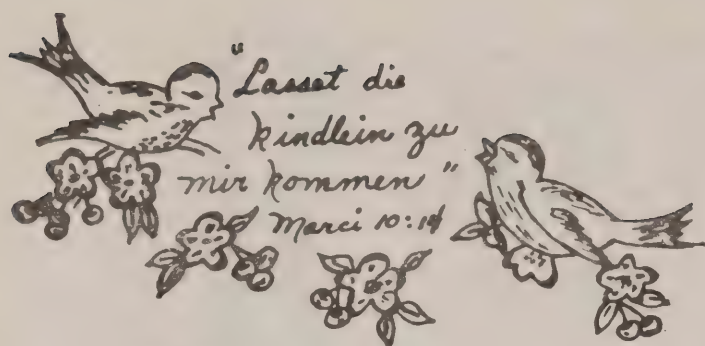
### Community Note - Adams County, Indiana

Nate Wickey, 32, Monroe, Ind., who submitted to a kidney transplant Nov. 29, at the Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Passavant Pavilion, 303 East Superior, 4th East Floor, Room 456, Chicago, Illinois 60611, has been getting along quite well. Apparently the kidney donated by his brother, Phenis of Nappanee, is functioning and it has not been necessary to put him on the artificial kidney unit since. Phenis was dismissed from the hospital Dec. 9th and is getting along real well. On Dec. 27th Nate had surgery again, a tube has been draining but the kidney is still functioning real well.

### Arthur, Ill. Mishap

Dec. 20, Willis Plank, in attempting to thaw out some frozen pipes, spilled some hot water into his boot, which caused severe burns and a few days later Staph Infection set in. At last reports he was still in Jarman Hospital, Tuscola, Illinois.





## BIRTHS

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

- EBERSOL, Abram B. (Mary B. Beiler) Ronks R1  
a daughter ANNIE B., December 23
- EBERSOL, Jonas (Fannie Riehl) Bird-in-Hand R1  
a son JESSE B., December 30
- ESH, John K. (Hannah L. King) Kirkwood R1  
a son CHRISTIAN, December 6
- ESH, Simeon (Mary Beiler) Quarryville R3  
a daughter EMMA, December 4
- FISHER, Ephraim F. (Barbara B. Esh) Quarryville R3  
a son JOSEPH, December 12
- FISHER, Jacob (Elizabeth King) Ronks R1  
a daughter RACHEL, December 5
- FISHER, Moses S. (Ida R. Beiler) Kirkwood R1  
a son JONATHAN, December 7
- GLICK, Aaron (Sarah Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a daughter NAOMI, December 23
- GLICK, Elmer (Fannie Zook)  
a son LEROY, December 7
- GLICK, Omar (Barbara Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a son MELVIN, December 4
- KING, Bennie (Rachel Stoltzfus) Paradise R1  
a son STEPHEN S., December 11
- KING, Simeon B. (Mary S. Smoker) Kirkwood R1  
a son BENJAMIN S., December 10
- LAPP, Amos S. Jr. (Katie Lapp) Strasburg R1  
a son BENUEL S., December 3
- LAPP, Ben B. (Esther E. Riehl) Ronks R1  
a daughter MARY R., December 29
- LAPP, Christian S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Oxford R1  
a son AMOS, December 19
- LAPP, Jacob E. (Annie S. Riehl) Gordonville R1  
a son AMOS M., December 9
- LAPP, Jonathan G. (Lydia M. Stoltzfus) Narvon R2  
a daughter SADIE RUTH, December 31
- RIEHL, Levi E. (Malinda King) Honey Brook R2  
a son REUBEN K., December 10
- SMUCKER, Moses (Susie Stoltzfus) Churchtown  
a daughter ANNA MARY, December 14
- STOLTZFOOS, Benuel K. (Mary K. Fisher) Gordonville R1, a son AMOS, December 2
- STOLTZFUS, Amos B. (Annie E. Stoltzfus) Gap R1  
a daughter KATIE MAE, December 12
- STOLTZFUS, Amos L. (Rachel King) Strasburg R1  
a daughter MARY, December 1
- STOLTZFUS, Elam H. (Anna Mary Fisher) 182 Quarry Rd., Leola, a son ELAM H., December 25
- STOLTZFUS, Eli K. (Barbara S. Stoltzfus) New Holland R2, a daughter SADIE S., December 1

- STOLTZFUS, John D. (Katie S. Smucker) Brick Rd., Leola R1, a daughter SADIE, December 12
- STOLTZFUS, John B. (Lydia Glick) Christiana R1  
a daughter FANNIE K., December 24
- STOLTZFUS, Mark (Priscilla S. Stoltzfus) Morgantown R1, a son STEPHEN S., December 8
- ZOOK, David (Mary Kauffman) Christiana R1  
a son SAMUEL K., December 7
- ZOOK, David (Sarah Lapp) Lititz R1  
a son ELAM, December 8

## Dover, Delaware

- BYLER, Rudy S. (Lydia Byler) Kenton  
a daughter ALTA, December 27
- BYLER, William A. (Amanda Swartzentruber) Hartly R1  
a son ERVIN, December 4
- KING, Bennie J. (Esther Troyer) Dover R2  
a daughter BARBARA, December 24
- SWARTZENTRUBER, Henry E. (Gertrude Mast) Hartly  
a son DAVID, December 16

## St. Mary's County, Maryland

- HOSTETLER, John (Lydia Hertzler) Charlotte Hall  
a son CHRISTIAN, December 17
- STOLTZFUS, Tobe (Katie Hostetler) Mechanicsville  
a daughter SALLY, December 22

## Oakland, Maryland

- KAUFFMAN, Noah A. (Alma Peachey) Oakland R2  
a daughter LOIS ANN, December 9
- SWARTZENTRUBER, Joseph C. (Lydia Miller) Oakland  
a son JEREMIAH JAY, December 10

## Franklin County, Pennsylvania

- FLAUD, Jacob E. (Sallie Esh) Newburg R1  
a son JACOB, December 26

## Juniata County, Pennsylvania

- RENNO, Abie S. (Malinda Peachey) Mifflintown R2  
a son JESSE, December 18

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## Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Benjamin (Sadie Yoder) Belleville  
a daughter NANCY, December 8  
PEACHEY, Samuel R. (Lizzie Kanagy) Belleville  
a son ISRAEL, December 16  
HOSTETLER, John E. (Mattie Byler) Milroy  
a son BENJAMIN, December 19  
YODER, Benjamin C. (Annie Yoder) Reedsville  
a son BENJAMIN, December 19  
YODER, Emanuel B. (Elizabeth Hostetler) Reedsville  
a daughter RUTH, November 16

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

KINSINGER, Ben J. (Emma M. Beachy) Meyersdale R1  
a son MILT, December 26

## Conewango Valley, New York

DETWEILER, Bennie (Anna Mary Shetler)  
a still born daughter, December 1  
HERSHBERGER, Joe (Emma Byler)  
a daughter POLLY, December 27

## Sugar Grove, Pa.

BYLER, Mr. and Mrs. Joe A.  
a son ELI, August 30, 1973  
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe  
a son DANNIE, September 12, 1973  
YODER, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond  
a daughter KATIE, June 6, 1973

## Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, Andy J. (Ida M. Miller)  
a daughter NANCY, December 18  
BYLER, Crist J. (Lizzie Ann Troyer)  
a daughter CATHERINE, December  
BYLER, Mahlon J. C. (Mary Burkholder)  
a daughter on December 10  
HERSHBERGER, Noah J. (Viola Weaver)  
a daughter  
HOSTETLER, Harley E.  
a son on November 11  
MILLER, Andy M. (Betty A. Byler)  
an infant son on December 11  
MILLER, Eli D. (Miriam Kempf)  
a daughter LYDIA, December 2  
MILLER, Mahlon M. (Lizzie J. Detweiler)  
a daughter SALOMA  
MILLER, Robert H. (Dorothy R. Byler)  
a 3 lb. baby  
SHROCK, John J. (Emma Wengard)  
a daughter RUTH, December 16  
WEAVER, Andy B. (Emma Hershberger)  
a daughter REBECCA, December 7  
The little miss has a brace on her legs to  
help straighten them.

## Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

ERB, Delbert (Marie Raber) Millersburg R3  
a daughter EMMA LOU, December 12  
HERSHBERGER, David (Fannie Yoder) Baltic R1  
a daughter ANNA, December 6  
MILLER, Crist E. (Lavina Miller) Fredericksburg R2  
a son ALBERT, November 28  
RABER, Ben (Lydia Ann Troyer) Baltic R1  
a son NORMAN, December 7

RABER, Dan (Lovina Miller) Sugarcreek R1  
a son on December 18  
RABER, Jonas (Katie Schlabach) Sugarcreek R1  
a daughter December 24

TROYER, Jonas J. (Barbara Shetler)  
a daughter SHARON RENEE, December 1

TROYER, Monroe L. (Katie Miller)  
a daughter SHARON, November 24

YODER, Aden (Amanda Raber) Baltic R1  
a son December 19

YODER, Christ M. (Lizzie Ann Yoder) Sugarcreek R1  
a daughter VERNA, December 1

YODER, Clarence J. (Barbara Troyer)  
a daughter MARY, December 9

YODER, Eli D. (Fannie Yoder) Millersburg R3  
a son ANDY, December 13

## Ashtabula County, Ohio

MAST, Albert J. (Barbara Mast) Orwell  
a son JAMES, December 17

## LaGrange County, Indiana

BEECHY, Daniel W. (Edna Schrock) LaGrange R4  
a son WILLIAM D., December 16

BEECHY, Marvin W. (Amanda Schrock) LaGrange R4  
a daughter MARTHA M., December 19

BONTRAGER, Ervin S. (Ida Sue Miller) Shipshewana R1  
a son LELAND, December 2

BONTRAGER, Orla R. (Sarah Miller) Topeka R2  
a son MARION, December 17

FRY, Christ D. (Katie Mast) LaGrange R1  
a son KENNETH, December 12

FRY, Jacob (Polly Anna Miller)  
a son DELBERT, December 12

HERSCHBERGER, John B. (Mary Esther Yoder) Topeka R  
a daughter LIZZIE, December 21

HOCHSTEDLER, Edward (Mary Schrock) Topeka R2  
a son MAYNARD, December 20

HOCHSTEDLER, Jerome, Jr. (Abbie Eash) Rome City R1  
a son MERVIN JAY, December 3

LEHMAN, John D. (Katie Mast) LaGrange R4  
a daughter LE ANNA FERN, December 10

LEHMAN Wilbur (Lizzie Miller) Topeka R2  
a son RICHARD, December 12

MILLER, Leo J. (Lorene Eash) Middlebury R2  
a son DANIEL, November 28

MILLER, Omer P. (Martha Whetstone) Shipshewana R1  
twins JAMES O. and JOANN, December 5

MILLER, Vernon L. (Elsie Hostetler) LaGrange R4  
a son STEPHEN V., November 29

OTTO, Jerry M. (Polly Anna Eash) LaGrange R4  
a daughter MAUDENE, December 16

SCHROCK, Urias (Mary Beechy) LaGrange R4  
a son MARVIN U., December 8

STUTZMAN, Joe (Lydiann Raber) Topeka R2  
a daughter SUSAN, November 26

TROYER, Raymond L. (Lorene Bontrager) Middlebury R2  
a daughter LISA FERN, December 7

YODER, David F. (Ida Mae Miller) Shipshewana R1  
twin sons HARLEY D. and HARVEY D., December 1 3

YODER, Samuel (Esther Yoder) LaGrange R4  
a son DEVON, December 10



## BIRTHS, Continued

## Camden, Michigan

DELAGRANGE, Henry, Jr. (Mary Schwartz)  
a son JAMES, December 16

## Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, David E. (Ruth Coblentz) Shipshewana R 2  
a son REUBEN, December 1  
KAUFFMAN, Sam M. (Lydia Ann Troyer) Middlebury R1  
twin sons DALE and DARYL, December 14  
SCHROCK, Clarence (Ruby Miller) Goshen R4  
a son VERNON RAY, November 29  
SCHROCK, David A. (Elnora Yoder) Shipshewana R2  
a daughter RUBY, November 28  
SCHROCK, Noah A. (Fannie Mae Hershberger) Goshen R 1  
a daughter MARY KATHERINE, December 14  
YODER, John A. ( Mary Lou Bender) Goshen R1  
a son DENNIS RAY, November 25  
YODER, Perry W. (Verda Schrock) Goshen R4  
a son CALVIN JAY, November 29

## Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Amos (Rosann Zehr) New Haven  
a daughter ANNA MAE, December 29  
HILTY, Joseph (Lovina Brandenberger) Grabill  
a son BENJAMIN, December 7  
SCHMUCKER, Jeromia (Esther Graber) Grabill  
a son MERVIN, December 8  
SCHWARTZ, Martin (Martha Graber) New Haven  
a son CHRISTY LOU, December 25

## Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Menno V. (Edna Petersheim) Geneva R2  
a son MENNO, December 2  
HILTY, Menno J. (Elizabeth Schwartz) Monroe R1  
a son NOAH, December 17  
SCHWARTZ, Dave, (Lizzie Christner) Berne R2  
a daughter SUSAN, December 9  
SCHWARTZ, John E. (Anna Coblentz) Geneva R2  
a daughter AMANDA, December 14  
WICKEY, Martin (Emma N. Schwartz) Decatur R6  
a son NOAH, December 5

## Kokomo, Howard County, Indiana

MILLER, Eli (Edna Hostetler) Converse R1  
a son JOHN EDWARD, November 28

## Daviess County, Indiana

GRABER, Ezra (Esther Wagler)  
a son AMOS, December 23  
KNEPP, Paul (Martha Lengacher)  
a son STEPHEN, December 3  
KNEPP, Ray (Verda Knepp)  
a son RONNIE DEAN, December 1  
KNEPP, William (Lovina Knepp)  
a son December 26  
RABER, Herbert (Geneva Wittmer)  
a son MARTIN JOSEPH, December 10  
STOLL, Levi (Pauline Graber)  
a son December 24  
WAGLER, David V. (Anna Graber)  
a daughter MARTHA, December 16  
WAGLER, Herman (Pauline Knepp)  
a son KEVIN, December 15

## Guthrie, Kentucky

COBLENTZ, Aden (Rhoda Yoder) Guthrie R2  
a daughter VIOLA MARIE, December 7  
MILLER, Perry (Linda Kanagy) Guthrie R2  
a daughter JOSEPHINE YVONNE, December 18

## Arthur, Illinois

HERSCHBERGER, Edwin (Katie Hostetler)  
a son PHILIP LYNN, December 21  
HERSCHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs, Omer  
a son SAMUEL, December 20  
JESS, Elva (Viola Gingerich)  
a daughter LORETTA, December 11  
MILLER, Harley (Martha Ann Gingerich)  
a son ELDON, December 21  
MILLER, Omer (Fannie Marie Otto)  
a daughter LEAH, December 15  
YODER, Wilmer (Ella Herschberger)  
a son STEVEN, December 1

## Reno County, Kansas

HEADINGS, Mervin J. (Treva Schrock)  
a son WELDON, December 17  
YODER, Jacob Lee (Mary Lou Jones)  
a daughter JOANNA SUE, December 28

## Anabel, Missouri

HOCHSTETLER, Amos (Barbara Borntrager)  
a son ANDY YOST, December 27

## Marshfield, Missouri

MAST, Raymond (Sara Mae Graber) Marshfield R2  
a daughter EDNA, December 6

## Jamesport, Missouri

BEECHY, Henry L. (Laura Miller)  
a son HARLEY, December 30  
HERSHBERGER, Monroe (Ida Stutzman)  
a daughter MARTHA, December 18  
MAST, Elias H. (Sarah Detweiler)  
a daughter LAURA MAE, December 25

## Audrain County, Missouri

BURKHOLDER, Eli S. (Edna Yoder) Clark  
a son CHESTER, December 24  
PETERSHEIM, Benedict J. (Laura Yoder) Clark  
a daughter EDNA, December 6

## Pike County, Missouri

YODER, Chriss (Linda Schwartz)  
a son CHRIS, November 30

## Johnson County, Iowa

MILLER, Mark (Dora Miller)  
a daughter on December 15

## Buchanan County, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Emanuel (Sarah Kurtz) Hazleton  
a daughter CHRISTINA, December 16  
GINGERICH, Ed E. (Mary Kurtz) Independence  
a son on December 29  
GINGERICH, Ura (Mattie Bontrager) Hazleton  
a son ELI, December 6  
KAUFFMAN, Samuel (Rachel Yutzy) Fairbank  
a daughter CHRISTINA, December 25

MILLER, Ben D. (Linda Yoder) Fairbank  
a daughter MARY, December 25  
YODER, Andy J. (Amelia Kauffman) Hazleton  
a daughter SARAH MARIE, November 30  
YODER, Daniel J. (Sarah Kauffman) Fairbank  
a son ANDY, November 30  
YODER, David J. (Ada Shetler) Fairbank  
a daughter MARY, December 25  
YUTZY, Harley (Lizzieann Shetler) Hazleton  
a daughter MIRIAM, December 26

Cashton, Vernon County, Wisconsin  
DETWEILER, Jacob (Fannie Detweiler)  
a son SAMUEL, December 5  
MILLER, Perry B. (Elizabeth Kauffman)  
a son PERRY, JR., December 23

Medford, Wisconsin  
MILLER, Joni J. (Bertha Schrock) Medford  
a son JOE, December 11  
SCHMUCKER, John, Jr. (Clara Miller) Medford  
a son ALVIN, December 10  
SCHMUCKER, Simon (Ida Miller) Medford  
a son EZRA, December 17  
YODER, Chrissie (Millie Schrock) Medford  
a stillborn son, December 29

Portage County, Wisconsin  
MULLET, Ora (Fannie A. Miller) Amherst  
a daughter CLARA, December 22

Wadena, Minnesota  
SCHROCK, Moses (Anna Mary Detweiler)  
a son MOSES, JR., November 10  
YODER, Elmer (Martha Bontrager)  
a son MELVIN in July

Tavistock, Ontario, Canada  
HERTZLER, David (Sylvia Peachey) Tavistock R2  
a daughter MALINDA, December 16

Norwich, Ontario, Canada  
BYLER, Jacob E. (Mattie Shetler) Mt. Elgin D1  
a son ELI, December 16  
STUTZMAN, Dan N. (Mary Stutzman) Mt. Elgin R1  
a son HENRY, December 23  
STUTZMAN, Jacob M. (Emma Hershberger) Mt. Elgin R1  
a daughter KATIE, December 14

Lucknow, Ontario, Canada  
GINGERICH, Edward (Rachel Hertzler)  
a daughter BARBARA, December 5  
SHETLER, John (Martha Stutzman)  
a daughter ANNA, December 10  
Milverton, Ontario, Canada  
KUEPFER, Ivan (Dorothy Kuepfer) Newton R1  
a son CLARENCE, December 13  
STREICHER, Ezra (Barbara Zehr) Milverton R1  
a daughter LEAH, December 7  
ZEHR, Amos (Mattie Kuepfer) Newton R1  
a daughter MARY ANN, December 17

#### ASHTABULA CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

Elmer, 25, son of Jake and Lizzie Ann Byler, got his finger in a meat grinder and was in the hospital a couple days, where they grafted skin on the end.

#### OBITUARIES

ALBRECHT, Mrs. Magdalena, 65, Millbank R1, Ont. passed away suddenly Dec. 1st at the Kitchener Hospital of a heart attack. She was a daughter of the late Bishop and Mrs. Joseph W. Kipfer. She is survived by her husband, Eli, and three children, Ezra of Millbank R1, Joe of Newton R1, and Mrs. Manuel Kuepfer of Millbank R1, and 24 grandchildren. A brother, Chris, and a sister, Fannie, died a number of years ago.

Funeral services were held at the home of her daughter, where she lived.

BYLER, Melvin 18, Stonesboro, Pa.

was killed in a car accident Dec. 25th (see front page). The son of Jake M. and Amelia Byler, he is survived by his parents, two brothers, and a step-father, Sam Hochstetler of Geauga Co., Ohio.

Funeral services were held Dec. 28th at Dan N. Yoders and Ben S. Bylers. Pall bearers were Eli A. Byler, Albert A. Byler, John M. Byler and Wollie E. Coblentz.

EICHER, Amos E., 61, Berne R2, Indiana died Dec. 20 at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. Death was caused by cancer, following an illness of one and one half years. A native of Adams County, he was born April 13, 1912 a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Schwartz) Eicher; was married Sept. 26, 1932. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and the following children: Mrs. Jess (Emily) Yoder, Hamilton, Ind., Mrs. Solomon (Salome) Wengerd, Berne R2, LeRoy A. Eicher, Berne R1, Mrs. Dan (Delilah) Wickey, Phoenix, Arizona, Amos A. Eicher Jr., Bluffton R4, Mrs. David (Rosina) Wickey, Bluffton R4, Mrs. Jacob (Mary) Christner, Harvey A. Eicher, and Ben A. Eicher, all of Berne R2; 42 grandchildren, and three brothers and three sisters. A son, three brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held in the Eicher residence Monday, Dec. 24; burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

EICHER, Samuel A., 76, of Allen County, Indiana died Nov. 30th (see obituary, Nov. issue, p. 206).

Funeral services were held Dec. 3 at the home by Reuben Hershberger of Bronson, Mich., and at the Joe Hilty residence by Menno Girod of Berne, Ind.

GINGERICH, Emma, 10, Jamesport, Missouri died Dec. 24, after receiving an accidental gunshot wound (see front page). She was born Aug. 1, 1963, a daughter of Andy and Anna (Hochstetler) Gingerich, who survive. Also surviving are two brothers, Tobie and Ezra; five sisters, Amelia, Martha, Elmina, Clara, and Miriam, all at home; grandparents, Chester Gingerichs of Jamesport, and Manasses Hochstetlers of Nappanee, Indiana.

Funeral services were held Thur., Dec. 27th at the Chrissie and Henry Ropp home, by Amos Burkholder of Nappanee, Ind., Menno Hostetler of Milton, Iowa, and Bishop Tobe Detweiler in the big house; by David A. Yoder of Buchanan County, Iowa, and Ferman Troyer in the small house.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

GIROD, Infant, Berne R2, Indiana

daughter of Emanuel and Leah (Graber) Girod, was born Dec. 30, at home, and lived only a few minutes. Surviving are the parents and the following brothers and sisters: Amos, Sam, Leah, Emma, Emanuel, Ernest, Lovina, Simon, Elizabeth, Enos, and Martha, all at home. Two brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Dec. 31 at the home; burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

GRABER, Mrs. John L. (Barbara), 83, Loogootee, Ind.

died Dec. 13th. Funeral services were held by Ministers Homer Stoll and Levi J. Wagler.

HELMUTH, Tressie L., 35, of Bremen R1, Indiana

died Friday, Nov. 30, in the St. Joseph's Hospital in Mishawaka following an illness of two weeks. She was born in Kosciusko County Nov. 27, 1938, a daughter of Harvey and Rosa (Slabaugh) Stutzman. She was married to Edwin M. Helmuth, who survives along with her parents. Also surviving are two brothers, Harvey J. Stutzman of Shipshewana, and Lloyd Stutzman of Nappanee; two sisters, Mrs. Fern Yoder of Milford, and Mrs. Catherine Yoder of Nappanee; two daughters, Rosa and Lynetta, and three sons, Lyle, Everett and Wayne, all at home.

Funeral services were held at the Henry Yoder residence by Bishop Henry J. S. Yoder; burial was in the Weldy Cemetery in Elkhart County.

HERSCHBERGER, Elizabeth Ann, 82, LaGrange R1

died Wednesday, Dec. 12, at her home following a brief illness. She was born in Elkhart County Jan. 22, 1891, the daughter of David C. J. and Fannie (Miller) Miller. She was married in Elkhart County Nov. 12, 1912, to Moses B. Herschberger, who preceded her in death. Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Joe Wengerd of LaGrange, Mrs. Joe Zook of Monroe, Mrs. Henry Herschberger and Mrs. Fred Herschberger, both of Kokomo, Mrs. Daniel E. Troyer of Medford, Wis., and Mrs. Samuel Kauffman of Greentown; three sons, Ben M. of Topeka, David M. of Kokomo and John of LaGrange; 51 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Ervin J. Schrock of Ligonier.

Funeral services were held at the Alvin L. Yoder residence by Bishop Ervin Hochstetler and Dan Lehman; burial was in the Miller Cemetery, southwest of LaGrange.

HOCHSTETLER, John J., 18, Stonesboro R1, Pa.

was killed in a car accident Dec. 25th (see front page). The son of John H. and the late Sarah A. (Byler) Hochstetler, he is survived by his father and step-mother, three brothers and three sisters, one half brother and three half sisters, and his grandfather, Harvey C. Hochstetler.

Funeral services were held Dec. 27th at Dan N. Yoders and Ben A. Bylers. Pall bearers were Wollie J. Byler, Levi J. Mullet, Aaron D. Yoder, and Allen E. Coblentz.

HERSHBERGER, Jonas J., 45, Middlefield, Ohio

died Dec. 26th. He is survived by two sisters, with whom he lived, Susie J. and Delilah J. Hershberger; two brothers, John, of Cashton, Wis., Jake, of Lancaster Co., Pa.; two half sisters, Mrs. Rudy (Sarah) Yoder, Hartley, Del., Mrs. Mary Ann Burkholder, of Paris, Ind.; two half brothers, Andy J. Hershberger, Holliday, Tenn; and Manasses, Apple Creek. His parents were John J. and Elizabeth (Kempf) Hershberger.

Funeral services were held by Pre. Sam V. Gingerich and Bishop Dan N. Gingerich. Pall bearers were Daniel J. Farmwalt, Lester E. Burkholder, Abe D. Coblentz, and Albert D. Kurtz.

KEMP, Chris, 78, of Odon R1, Indiana

died at his residence. He had been in failing health for several years but death was unexpected. He was born in Daviess County Sept. 21, 1895, a son of Samuel and Annie (Graber) Kemp. In 1921 he married Anna Wagler who survives. Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Elmo (Ida) Stoll, Montgomery, Mrs. Harvey (Katie Ann) Farmwald, Sullivan, Ill., Mrs. Edward (Rosie) Schrock, Arthur, Ill., and Mrs. Ernest (Lydia) Wagler, Odon; three sons, Herman Kemp, Hindsboro, Ill., Martin Kemp and John Kemp, both of Cannelburg; three brothers, Neal, Pete and Silas, all of Odon; two sisters, Mrs. Caroline Graber, Elkhart, and Mrs. Samuel (Katie) Otto, Odon; 52 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Two daughters and six grandchildren died previously.

Funeral services were held by Levi Graber; burial was in Stoll Cemetery.

KING, Mrs. Susie B., 82, Ronks R1

died at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. Gideon F. Lapp, Ronks R1, Tuesday, Dec. 25 at 8:30 a.m. after a lingering illness. Born in Lancaster Co., she was a daughter of the late John S. and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Fisher. She is survived by her husband, Eli S. King; three children, Omar Beiler and Elizabeth, wife of Jonas Kauffman, both of Ronks R1, and Anna, wife of Elmer Glick, Peach Bottom; 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Also surviving is one step-son, Daniel E. King, Leola, and 10 other step-children, Christian S. King, Lydia, wife of Benueel K. Stoltzfoos, Rebecca, wife of Stephen E. Stoltzfoos, Susie, wife of Levi S. Petersheim, all of Gordonville R1, Amos L. King, Mary, wife of Jacob L. Lapp, Lizzie, wife of Gideon F. Lapp, and Sarah, wife of Jonas Esh, all of Ronks R1, Malinda, wife of Aaron E. Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Hannah, wife of John K. Esh, Kirkwood R1; 83 step-grandchildren and 110 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Christian S. King residence, Gordonville R1, Thurs., Dec. 27 at 9 a.m., by Ephraim K. King and Benjamin F. Beiler; hymn read by John Fisher; at graveyard, hymn read by Daniel K. King, abschied by Amos E. King. Burial was at Beiler's Cemetery beside her first husband, Jonas L. Beiler. She was Eli King's third wife and he was her third husband.

LAMBRIGHT, Infant Twin Sons, Topeka, Ind.

sons of Alvin Lee and Marcia (Hostetler) Lambright were born dead Saturday, December 1 in the LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving with the parents are two brothers, Daniel Wayne and Orvin Ray, both at home; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Lambright of Wolcottville R2 and Mrs. Fanny Dykes of Mishawaka.

Graveside services were held Dec. 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hawpatch Cemetery, southwest of LaGrange by Bishop Calvin T. Lambright.

LEHMAN, Mrs. Anna, 95, Topeka R2, Indiana

died at her home Friday, Dec. 21. She was born Jan. 16, 1878, in Elkhart County, the daughter of Daniel and Mary Miller. She lived all of her life in Elkhart and LaGrange Counties. She was married March 24, 1895, to Sam Lehman, who preceded her in death. Survivors include four sons, Eli of LaGrange, Yost of Topeka, Sam of Hazelton, Iowa, and Amos of Nappanee; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Bontrager of North Dakota, and Mrs. Sam (Fannie) Mast of Cone-wango Valley, N. Y.; 46 grandchildren; a large number of great-grandchildren, and a brother, Jacob Miller of Middlebury.

Funeral services were held Dec. 24, at the Harley E. Bontrager home, LaGrange R4, by Bishop William A. Yoder and Bishop John J. Yoder; burial was in the Mast Cemetery.

LICHTY, Mrs. Ada, 90, of Oakland, Maryland

died Dec. 2 of complications and old age. She leaves five daughters and one son, Freeman and Freda (twins) with whom she resided on her home place. Miss Annie and Miss Grace Lichty, Mrs. Lottie Peachy, all of Oakland, and Mrs. Elmer S. Yoder of Grantsville; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, one of which was born since her death.

Short funeral services were held at the house by Norman Schrock and at the church by Bishop Milt Kinsinger of Virginia and Bishop Norman Schrock; burial was in Slaubaugh Cemetery.

MILLER, Mrs. Lizzie C., 93, Johnson Co., Iowa

died Dec. 24th in the Washington Care Center after a lingering illness. Her mind was completely gone for the last several years. Her husband, Harry D. Miller passed away Jan. 4, 1961. To this union were born three sons, Chris, who passed away in December 1957 (he was married to Anna Hochstetler who survives), Omer and Elmer, both of Kalona RD. She was a daughter of the late Christian and Barbara (Gingerich) Schlabaugh. Her three sisters and one brother, Mahlon, preceded her in death. The sisters were Mrs. L. D. (Katie) Yoder, Mrs. Joel (Amelia) Yoder, and Mrs. Noah S. (Ida) Kemp. Also surviving are nine grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were held Dec. 27th at the home of Emil and Mary Ellen Gingerich, by Bishop Truman Miller and T. J. Miller in German and by Bishop Morris Swartzentruber in English. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery beside her late husband.

MILLER, Mrs. Mollie, 73, Shipshewana R2, Indiana

died Sunday, Dec. 9, in her home of an apparent heart attack. She was born in North Dakota Feb. 14, 1900, and had lived most of her life in the Shipshewana area. She was married March 17, 1921, to David L. Miller, who survives. Also surviving are five sons, Lester, Dennis and Levi, all of Shipshewana, Chriss of White Pigeon, Mich., and Elmer D. of R1, Goshen; two brothers, Elmer F. of Middlebury and John F. of Sarasota, Fla.; three sisters, Mrs. Rudy Troyer, Mrs. Joseph Mast and Mrs. Abraham Lehman, all of Middlebury; 20 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Ralph Bontrager home, by Bishop Roy Miller; burial was in the Naylor Cemetery.

MULLET, Enos, Sarasota, Florida

formerly from Hartville, Ohio, died Dec. 2nd and was buried the 5th. He had been ailing from cancer for a couple years.

SCHMUCKER, Mary (Zehr), 90, Allen Co., Indiana

died Dec. 23rd at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Amos (Emma) Graber. She had been ailing in body and mind for some time. She is also survived by a son, Amos, Spencerville, Ind. and three other daus., Mrs. Henry (Mary) Graber, Spencerville, Mrs. Rosa Wagler, Hamilton, Ind. and Mrs. Noah (Lovina) Schwartz, New Haven, Ind. and a brother, David of Middlebury, Ind. A daughter, Anna, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held in the main house by John Graber and in the other house by Menno Lengacher; burial was in the Amish Cemetery, Grabill, Ind.

STOLTZFUS, John L., 56, of Christiana R1, Pa.

died at his home Thursday evening, Dec. 27, after an illness of four months. He was a son of the late Isaac and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus and had lived in the area since 1942. Surviving are his widow, Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus, and these children: David F., Christiana R1; Rachel, wife of Levi L. Beiler, Quarryville Re; Isaac F. and Sarah, wife of Amos Stoltzfus, both of Nottingham R2; Samuel M. at home; Katie, wife of John B. Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1; and John F. and Amos F., at home. Also surviving are four sisters and nine brothers: Rachel, wife of Elam Miller, Leola; Sarah, wife of Jacob Fisher, Quarryville R3; Mary, wife of Henry Fisher, Willow Street; Rebecca, wife of Benueel Esh, Littlestown; Samuel L., Christiana R1; Benjamin L., Leola R1; Isaac L., Littlestown R1; Jonas L., Bird-in-Hand R1; Jacob L., Levi L., and Henry L., all of Kirkwood R1; Daniel L., Gordonville R1, and Amos L., Kinzers R1.

Funeral services were held at the late home by John P. Esh and Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman; hymn read by Dea. Christ B. Lapp; at graveyard, hymn by Dea. Bennie S. Stoltzfus, abschied by Ben Kauffman. Pallbearers were four nephews; burial was at Fisher's Cemetery, Christiana R1.



## OBITUARIES, Continued

**STOLTZFUS, Sadie**, 1 week, Leola R1, Pa.

daughter of John D. and Katie (Smucker) Stoltzfus of Brick Church Road, Leola, was born at home on Dec. 12, died at Hershey Medical Center Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 5:15 p.m. She had a heart problem. Surviving, besides her parents, are the following brothers and sisters: Amos, Johnnie Jr., Naomi, Mary, Eli, Rachel, Leon, and Leroy, all at home; her paternal grandparents, Amos M. and Katie Stoltzfus, New Holland R1; and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Eli S. Smucker, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus who preached a short sermon and read St. Mark 10:13-16; John K. Lapp read hymn page 377 at the house and page 378 at the graveyard.

**SWARTZENTRUBER, Anna**, 8, Oakland, Md.

daughter of Owen S. and Edna (Petersheim) Swartzentruber of Oakland R2, died Dec. 22 at the hospital after a week's illness. She is the little girl that has had a lot of sickness since birth and was small for her age, but was attending school when she was able. She repeated the following verse towards the last: "Derr Herr hat vohl-ge-gallen an seinen verken." She leaves two sisters, Naomi, 13, Lydia, 11, and one brother, Simon, age 7 months.

Short funeral services were held at the house by Pre. Eli Beachy, and at the church house by Edwin E. Beachy and Bishop Norman Schrock; burial was in Slaubaugh Cemetery.

**WAGLER, Mrs. Rosa**, 54, Bowling Green, Missouri

was killed Dec. 11 when hit by a car while crossing the highway (see front page). She was born March 26, 1919, in Daviess Co., Ind., a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Graber) Wagler; was married to Ezra Wagler, Aug. 31, 1939, who survives, and the following children, Lavern of Clark, Mo., Jacob of Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa., Raymond, Jessie, Martha, Bowling Green, and Lizzie, still at home; also her mother and six sisters.

Funeral services were held at the home Dec. 13 by home ministers.

**WENGARD, Mrs. Noah M. (Emma)**, 76, Geauga Co. O.

died Nov. 22. She had a stroke and lived only a few days. She leaves her husband, five sons and five daughters, Mose, Gideon, Noah, Andy, and Dan, Mrs. Noah J. (Mattie) Mast, Mrs. Joe J. (Ada) Miller, Mrs. Eli S. (Katie) Byler, Mrs. John J. (Emma) Schrock Jr., Mrs. Albert L. (Saloma) Troyer; 98 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; four brothers, Joe, Andy, and John, all of Middlefield, and Mose of New Glarus, Wis.; three sisters, Mrs. John S. (Lizzie) Byler, Mrs. Merimiah J. (Ada) Miller, and Mrs. Levi L. (Katie) Yoder.

Funeral services were held at the home by John A. Schrock from Arthur, Ill. and Bishop Dave D. Miller Jr.; at Andy S. Bylers' by Bishop John N. Detweiler and Pre. Lester M. Troyer; at Niel F. Schmuckers' by Bishop Elmer A. Miller and Pre. Albert J. Miller.

**TROYER, Neal**, 18, Mercer R4, Pa.

was killed in a car accident Dec. 25th (see front page). The son of Dan J. and Lizzie Troyer, he is survived by his parents, three brothers, four sisters, and his grandfather, Harvey C. Hochstetler.

Funeral services were held Dec. 27th at Dan N. Yoders and Ben A. Bylers. Pall bearers were Eli J. Byler, Manas B. Byler, Danuel M. Byler, and Andy D. Coblentz.

**YODER, Mrs. Effie**, 83, Salisbury, Pa.

died early Monday morning, Dec. 17, at the home of Pete A. Yoders after several months illness of a heart condition. She was born Dec. 17, 1890, a daughter of the late Eli and Dora Yoder. She is survived by the following children: Dora, wife of Pete A. Yoder, Springs, Pa., Frieda, wife of Simon Swartzentruber, Oakland, Md., and Pete E., Grantsville, Md.; also two sisters, Oma, Mrs. Milt Yoder, Grantsville, and Mrs. Addie Bender, Oakland, and one brother, Claude Yoder, of Meyersdale; 19 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Niverton Church by Noah J. Yoder and Albert Brenneman; burial was at the Niverton Cemetery.

**YODER, John J. S.**, 68, Fredericksburg, Ohio

died Dec. 4 at the age of 68 yr., 3 mo., 8 days. He was born Aug. 27, 1905; married to Katie Ann Hershberger Jan. 30, 1930, who died Oct. 23, 1966; lived in matrimony 36 yr., 8 mo., 23 days; born to this union were three sons and three daughters; lived as a widower 3 yr., 11 mo., 29 days; married second time to Bena Raber Oct. 22, 1970; lived in matrimony 3 yr., 1 mo., 12 days. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and two daughters, Melvin of Fredericksburg, Mose of Millersburg, Roman of Apple Creek, Mrs. Wyman (Amanda) Coblentz, and Mrs. Abe D. Miller of the home, and 20 grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, first wife, and one daughter.

Funeral services were held at the home and at Roy J. Millers, Dec. 7, by the home ministers.

## BAPTISMS

Benton County, Tennessee

Sept. 2, 1973, by Mahlon J. Mast

Dannie, son of Dan A. and Elizabeth (Miller) Weaver Ann, dau. of John J. and Ada (Miller) Gingerich (parents live in Geauga Co., Ohio)

Esther, dau. of David M. and Lizzie Ann (Mast) Troyer Erma, dau. of Joseph and Sara (Hershberger) Coblentz

Community Note - Geauga County, Ohio

Bishop David D. Miller, 90, and nearly blind, fell in his house while attempting to unlock the door, and broke his hip. He was rushed to the hospital where they operated and put a plate and screws in, later the screws came loose and they operated again and found that he has a bone disease. He suffered much pain and was very ill at times.

## MARRIAGES

## Dover, Delaware

Troyer, Miller – Danny, son of Alfred and Effie Troyer, to Rhoda, daughter of John and Rhoda Miller, Dec. 6, by Bishop Eli S. Miller.

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Lapp, Lapp – Aaron, son of John and Rachel Lapp, to Fannie, daughter of Jonas and Fannie Lapp, Nov. 27, by Bishop Isaac H. Zook.

## Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Miller – Eli, son of Isaac D. and Saloma (Miller) Miller, to Barbara, daughter of Yost H. and Sarah (Shetler) Miller, Dec. 25, by Bishop Menno E. Miller.

## Geauga County, Ohio

Troyer, Miller – Mose, son of Pre. Lester M. and Lizzie (Detweiler) Troyer, to Betty, daughter of Ervin J. Millers.

Miller, Yoder – Andy, son of John J. and Lizzie (Miller) Miller, to Saloma, daughter of Simon J. and Mattie (Miller) Yoder, November 1.

Miller, Mullet – Martin, son of Melvin and Mary (Miller) Miller, to Barbara, daughter of Bishop Eli and Nancy (Fisher) Mullet, November 8.

Miller, Byler – William, son of John J. and Lizzie (Miller) Miller, to Barbara, daughter of Adam D. and Barbara (Stutzman) Byler, November 29.

Miller, Kauffman – Noah, son of Mrs. Une J. Miller, to Amanda, daughter of Pre. Sam C. and Amanda (Byler) Kauffman, December 13.

Miller, Miller – Crist, son of Andy J. and Emma (Fisher) Miller, to Clara, daughter of Joe J. P. and Clara (Byler) Miller, Dec. 13, by Bishop Eli J. Mullet.

Byler, Raber – Deacon Crist V. Byler to Katie Ann (Miller) Raber, January 1.

## Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Troyer – John, son of Mrs. Henry J. Yoder of Mt. Eaton, to Clara, daughter of Levi A. C. Troyer, December 6, by Bishop Milan J. Yoder.

Gingerich, Wengerd – Amos J., son of Jacob P. Gingerich of Chesley, Ont., to Katie, daughter of Daniel Wengerds of Mt. Eaton, Ohio, December 11.

Shrock, Miller – Mervin A., son of Albert A. and Mary (Raber) Shrock, to Lydiann, daughter of Ben H. and Anna (Yoder) Miller, Dec. 20, by Bishop Melvin A. Raber.

## Ashley, Stuben County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz – Joel Jr., son of Joel E. and Fannie (Schwartz) Schwartz of Metz, Ind., to Lydia, daughter of Daniel and the late Fannie (Troyer) Schwartz, her step mother is Sarah (Eicher), Dec. 6, by Bishop Levi R. Graber of Camden, Michigan.

## Elkhart County, Indiana

Coblentz, Hochstedler – Joseph, son of Daniel and Elsie (Miller) Coblentz, Middlebury R2, to Rachel, daughter of Jonathan C. and Edna Mae (Yoder) Hochstedler, Middlebury R3, December 20.

## Audrain County, Missouri

Yoder, Borntrager – Widower Henry, 33, son of Roman Yoders, Kenton, Ohio, to Marie, 30, daughter of Ben N. and Katie (Gingerich) Borntrager, Clark, Mo., Dec. 20, by Bishop Levi L. Petersheim, Kenton, Ohio. Henry has two sons, 5 and 7, they will be at home at Kenton R1 where Henry and his father have an apple orchard.

## Norwich, Ontario

Shetler, Miller – Levi, son of Dan M. Shetlers, Norwich R1, to Martha, daughter of Gideon E. Millers, Dec. 13, by Bishop Eli Swartzentruber.

## LANCASTER COUNTY MARRIAGES of 1973

## February 14

Esh, Beiler – Widower Jonathan S. Esh, Christiana R1, to Annie, daughter of Sol K. and the late Lizzie (Speicher) Beiler, of Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

## March 3

Ebersol, Beiler – Widower David Ebersol, of Gordonville R1, to Widow Rebecca (King) Beiler, of Gap R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

## March 8

King, Fisher – Widower David B. King, Paradise R1, to Widow Elsie (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Christiana R1, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus

## September 27

Fisher, Fisher – Leroy, son of Elam S. and Florence (Byler) Fisher, Paradise R1, to Elizabeth, daughter of Christian E. and Elizabeth S. (Beiler) Fisher, Paradise R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

## October 30

King, Stoltzfus – John S., son of John K. and Lavina (Stoltzfus) King, Atglen R1, to Anna S., daughter of Amos L. and Susie E. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Beiler, King – Jacob M., son of Jacob E. and Mary S. (Miller) Beiler, Ronks R1, to Mamie S., daughter of Amos E. and Sadie (Stoltzfus) King, Ronks R1, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

## November 1

Riehl, Fisher – Leroy S., son of Mary L. (Stoltzfus) and the late John D. Riehl, Gap R1, to Fannie E., daughter of Katie (Blank) and the late Samuel S. Fisher, Gap R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Riehl, Esh – Stephen S., son of David L. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R1, to Elizabeth B., daughter of Eli P. and Fannie S. (Blank) Esh, Christiana R1, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

King, Lapp – Elam F., son of Christian K. and Barbara S., (Fisher) King, Leola R1, to Emma K., daughter of Gideon F. and Elizabeth L. (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus

Zook, Lapp – Abner G., son of Henry S. and the late Leah (Glick) Zook, Leola R1, to Miriam S., daughter of Amos S. and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Strasburg R1, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp



## LANCASTER CO. MARRIAGES, Continued

November 1

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Samuel U. Jr., son of Samuel U. and Katie E. (Lapp) Beiler, Gap R1, to Katie Ann, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (King) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Bishop Samuel F. Stoltzfus.

King, Smucker – Isaac Z., son of Aquilla B. and Mary B. (Zook) King, Quarryville R3, to Fannie S., daughter of Jacob E. and Malinda K. (Stoltzfus) Smucker, Leola R1, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Samuel J. Jr., son of Samuel J. and Susie S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, to Mary B., daughter of Daniel Z. and Mary Y. (Beiler) Fisher, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

November 6

Stoltzfus, King – Sylvan F. Jr., son of Sylvan F. and Mima Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, to Rebecca K., daughter of Amos K. and Rachel (Fisher) King, Hessdale, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

King, Stoltzfus – David B., son of Elias S. and Emma L. (Beiler) King, Gordonville R1, to Lena M., daughter of Daniel L. and Hanna S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

Beiler, Glick – Elam S., son of Christ S. and Annie D. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Lancaster, to Mary B., daughter of David I. and Jemima K. (Beiler) Glick, Smoketown, by Bishop Enos M. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, King – John B. Jr., son of John B. and Lydia (Smoker) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, to Rachel L., daughter of Katie (Lapp) and the late Christ S. King, Paradise R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, King – Daniel B., son of David L. and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1, to Rebecca S., daughter of Daniel K. and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) King, Quarryville R3, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman.

Fisher, Stoltzfus – Henry Z., son of Daniel S. and Rachel S. (Fisher) Fisher, Christiana R1, to Barbara K., daughter of John L. Jr. and Rachel S. (King) Stoltzfus, Leola R1, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Smucker – Jacob S., son of Abraham K. and Hannah (Smoker) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, to Sarah F., daughter of Daniel B. and Mary (Fisher) Smucker, Gordonville R1, by Henry S. Fisher.

King, Lapp – Elmer S., son of Aaron S. and Mary (Stoltzfus) King, Lancaster R4, to Verna Mae, daughter of John U. and Sylvia (Lapp) Lapp, Gordonville R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

November 8

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Henry S., son of Israel M. and Nancy S. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Christiana R1, to Sallie S., daughter of Amos M. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Israel M. Beiler.

Beiler, Beiler – Christian L., son of Eli K. and Annie (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R1, to Barbara K., daughter of Christ F. and Mary F. (King) Beiler, Kinzers R1, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Jacob M., son of Samuel M. and Katie S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, to Annie B., daughter of Elam H. and Katie B. (Beiler) Beiler, Paradise R1, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus.

Zook, Fisher – Reuben B., son of Elam K. and Mary S. (Beiler) Zook, Christiana R1, to Naomi S., daughter of Samuel U. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Elverson R2, by Bishop Joel K. Zook.

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Levi E., son of Samuel U. and Fannie K. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Sarah S., daughter of Benuel S. and Arie E. (Smucker) Fisher, Ronks R1, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Fisher, Stoltzfus – Gideon F., son of Amos L. and Susie S. (Fisher) Fisher, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Anna L., daughter of Amos M. and Leah B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, Lapp – John Freeman, son of Daniel S. and Miriam B. (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, to Ruth H., daughter of Christ S. and Katie L. (Hertzler) Lapp, Gap R1; Riehl, Lapp – Abner F., son of Jacob M. and Elizabeth K. (Fisher) Riehl, Strasburg R1, to Anna H., daughter of Christ S. and Katie L. (Hertzler) Lapp, Gap R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

November 13

Beiler, Miller – Jacob Y., son of Amos L. and Sarah E. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Paradise R1, to Emma K., daughter of Christ S. and Sarah E. (King) Miller, Paradise R1, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler.

Lantz, Beiler – Jonathan B., son of Isaac S. and Rachel (Beiler) Lantz, Gordonville R1, to Sara L., daughter of Jonas F. and Elizabeth (King) Beiler, Kinzers R1, by Bishop Amos E. King.

Lapp, King – John S., son of Isaac Z. and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Gordonville R1, to Mary A., daughter of Daniel F. and Barbara F. (Petersheim) King, Strasburg R1, by Bishop David K. Blank.

Stoltzfus, Lapp – Enos K., son of John S. and Annie E. (King) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Katie A., daughter of Abram K. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Quarryville R2, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

Stoltzfus, King – Amos L., son of Samuel and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, to Mary L., daughter of Emanuel F. and Rebecca (Lapp) King, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

Blank, Glick – Aquilla K., son of Moses K. and Fannie B. (Kauffman) Blank, Gap R1, to Leah Z., daughter of Menno R. and the late Elizabeth L. (Zook) Glick, Intercourse, by Bishop Amos G. Esh.

November 15

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Jonas S., son of John M. and Sylvia S. (Zook) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, to Emma F., daughter of Christ K. and Emma F. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Esh – Daniel K., son of Mary B. (King) and the late Levi K. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, to Rebecca S., daughter of Daniel S. and Elizabeth R. (Stoltzfus) Esh, Paradise R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Fisher, Stoltzfus – Jacob S., son of Benuel S. and Arie E. (Smucker) Fisher, Ronks R1, to Rebecca G., daughter of Henry S. and Annie K. (Glick) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, by Bishop Christian M. Fisher.

Miller, Esh – Elam S. Jr., son of Elam S. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Miller, Leola R1, to Mary F., daughter of Amos G. and Katie B. (Huyard) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Israel M. Beiler.

Lapp, Blank – Samuel F., son of Amos K. and Mary A. (Fisher) Lapp, Leola R1, to Amanda S., daughter of Daniel K. and Sarah B. (Stoltzfus) Blank, Narvon R2, by Bishop David K. Blank.

Esh, Stoltzfus – John K., son of Amos S. and Katie (King) Esh, Quarryville R3, to Sara F., daughter of Levi B. and Sarah (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3, by Bishop Joel K. Zook.

Kauffman, Stoltzfoos – John M., son of Ben E. Jr. and Barbara (Esh) Kauffman, Christiana R1, to Arie R., daughter of John L. and Elizabeth (Riehl) Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand R1; Kauffman, Stoltzfoos – Amos S., son of John A. and Annie S. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Gordonville R1, to Annie R., daughter of John L. and Elizabeth (Riehl) Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus.

#### November 20

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Menno R. Jr., son of Menno R. and Emma B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Arie G., daughter of Stephen S. and Katie S. (Glick) Fisher, Kinzers R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

King, Lapp – Ammon B., son of Christian K. and Katie Z. (Byler) King, Kinzers R1, to Mattie K., daughter of Samuel S. and Sarah S. Kauffman) Lapp, Christiana R1, by Bishop Joel K. Zook.

Lapp, Lapp – Amos K., son of John E. Jr. and Malinda S. (King) Lapp, Gordonville R1, to Lydia Ann, daughter of John J. and Barbara S. (Beiler) Lapp, New Holland R1, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus.

King, Beiler – Leroy S., son of Jonathan F. and Sarah (Smucker) King, Gordonville R1, to Mary K., daughter of Jonas and Mary (King) Beiler, Ronks R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

King, Stoltzfus – Benuel F., son of Christ K. and Barbara S. (Fisher) King, Leola R1, and Elizabeth F., daughter of Solomon and Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Paradise R1, by Bishop Aaron Esh.

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Amos E., son of Elam K. and Fannie F. (Ebersol) Beiler, Rebersburg R1, to Sarah S., daughter of Jesse L. and Lavina S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2, by Bishop Samuel J. Stoltzfus.

#### November 22

King, Beiler – Daniel K. Jr., son of Daniel K. and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) King, Quarryville R3, to Ruth, daughter of Amos K. and Fannie K. (Esh) Beiler, Quarryville R3, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

Lapp, Lapp – Stephen K., son of Jacob L. and Mary (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Anna S., daughter of John K. and Annie S. (Smucker) Lapp, Kinzers R1, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Glick – John B., son of Levi L. and Sarah B. (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Leola R1, to Malinda S., daughter of Daniel S. and Barbara S. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Samuel L., son of Christ and Mary (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, to Emma M., daughter of Amos F. and Anna B. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Gap R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

King, King – Christian K., son of Elizabeth (King) and the late Jonas King, Leola R1, to Anna S.,

daughter of Benuel S. and Katie S. (Stoltzfus) King, Honey Brook R2, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus.

King, Stoltzfus – Jesse E., son of Levi A. and Sadie (Esh) King, Gap R2, to Naomi B., daughter of Levi F. and Lizzie B. (Beiler) Stoltzfus, New Holland R2, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

#### November 27

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Ervin L., son of Daniel S. and Miriam D. (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, to Ruth B., daughter of Christ E. and Elizabeth F. (Beiler) Fisher, Paradise R1, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler.

Glick, Petersheim – David Z., son of John S. and Sarah Z. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Quarryville R3, to Barbara B., daughter of Malinda (Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

Beiler, Fisher – Aaron B., son of Elam H. and Katie L. (Beiler) Beiler, Paradise R1, to Susie S., daughter of Henry S. and Sadie E. (Smucker) Fisher, Paradise R1, by Bishop Amos G. Esh.

Blank, Lapp – David S., son of Henry K. and Sarah L. (Stoltzfus) Blank, Kinzers R1, to Naomi K., daughter of Daniel L. and Lizzie H. (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

Miller, Lapp – Amos R., son of Amos and Fannie (Renno) Miller, Leola R1, to Lydia S., daughter of Elam E. and Rachel S. (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Christiana R1, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman.

#### November 29

Glick, King – Levi E., son of David S. and Bena Z. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Leola R1, to Elizabeth E., daughter of John K. and Arie G. (Esh) King, Strasburg R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Miller – Amos S., son of Stephen F. and Lydia K. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Katie S., daughter of Daniel and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Fisher – Jacob B., son of Abram L. and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Annie K., daughter of Samuel M. and Annie B. (King) Fisher, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Lapp, King – Emanuel B., son of John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp, New Holland R1, to Lizzie E., daughter of Lizzie K. (Esh) and the late Jacob S. King, Honey Brook R1; Beiler, King – John J., son of Benjamin F. and Annie B. (Fisher) Beiler, Paradise R1, to Lydia E., daughter of Lizzie K. (Esh) and the late Jacob S. King, Honey Brook R1, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

#### December 4

Kauffman, King – Benuel E., son of Jonathan S. and Elizabeth (Esh) Kauffman, Gordonville R1, to Emma Z., daughter of Daniel and Mima (Zook) King, Leola R1, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Eli B. Jr., son of Eli B. and Lavina (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Sylvia E., daughter of Stephen F. and Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, King – Jacob M., son of Samuel J. and Susie (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Sadie B., daughter of Isaac B. and Savilla (Beiler) King, Christiana R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.



## LANCASTER CO. MARRIAGES, Continued

December 4

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus — Stephen R., son of Samuel M. and Mary (Riehl) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Katie S., daughter of Samuel K. and Katie S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

Blank, Smucker — David F., son of Jacob K. and Katie B. (Fisher) Blank, Kinzers R1, to Mary B., daughter of Annie (Beiler) (Smucker) Glick and the late Daniel Smucker, Gap R1, by Bishop David Blank.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus — David F., son of Gideon B. and Mary Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Paradise R1, to Susie S., daughter of Samuel M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1; Petersheim, Stoltzfus — Amos L., son of the late Christian U. and Emma (Lapp) Petersheim, Gordonville R1, to Sadie S., daughter of Samuel M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

December 6

King, Zook — Amos F., son of Samuel B. and Lydia S. (Fisher) King, Ronks R1, to Barbara S., daughter of Samuel K. and Annie B. (Stoltzfus) Zook, Paradise R1, by Bishop Amos Otto.

Smoker, Stoltzfus — Abram F., son of Stephen K. and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Smoker, Kirkwood, to Susie S., daughter of Abram L. and the late Barbara L. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman.

King, Stoltzfus — Amos B., son of Abram K. and Sarah (Beiler) King, Lancaster R4, to Barbara S., daughter of John L. and Arie E. (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Lancaster R4, by Bishop David K. Blank.

Zook, King — Melvin K., son of David L. and Rebecca (King) Zook, Christiana R1, to Mary F., daughter of Abram S. and Esther B. (Fisher) King, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus.

December 11

Stoltzfus, Ebersol — Benjamin L., son of Ben K. and Anna Mary (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Lydia B., daughter of Isaac F. and Rebecca (Beiler) Ebersol, Lancaster R4; Esh, Ebersol — David D., son of Amos G. and Katie B. (Huyard) Esh, Gordonville, to Rachel B., daughter of Isaac F. and Rebecca (Beiler) Ebersol, Lancaster R4, by Bishop Amos G. Esh.

December 13

Stoltzfus, Beiler — Stephen L., son of Levi L. and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Katie E., daughter of Menno and Lizzie (Esh) Beiler, Christiana R1, by Bishop Aaron Esh.

December 18

Stoltzfus, Zook — Jacob M., son of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, to Rachel K., daughter of John S. and Sadie S. (King) Zook, Quarryville R3, by Bishop John K. Beiler.

December 20

Beiler, King — Samuel, son of Stephen and the late Rebecca (Zook) Beiler, Ronks R1, to Lydia, daughter of Benjamin and Malinda (Beiler) King, Kirkwood R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

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## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Pinecraft, Fla., by Mose B. Miller

We are in the tourist season. We had only one inch of rainfall in November, and only one inch in December to the 10th. The temperature has dropped and some days is colder here than at Cincinnati, Ohio. The farmers have various vegetables planted and are cultivating. The Christmas poinsettias are in bloom in the yards, and will stay on till about March if they do not freeze. If not trimmed down, they grow to a height of 8 to 10 feet. Citrus are starting to ripen. We need cool nights to sweeten the juice. Nice winter weather for here. We have had 24 degrees inland that may cause a loss of between 20 and 40 million dollars to the sugar cane crop. About 265, 433 acres is sugar cane in Florida. The leaves and tops of cane are frozen at places. This stops the cane from maturing and hurts the sugar content.

Dover, Del., by Neil N. Hershberger

December brought us much chilly, wet weather, with a total rainfall of 6.7 in.; bringing the total for the year to 58 inches measured here at our place. Temperature for the month was mild, with an ice storm a week before Christmas. Coldest for the month was 9° on the eve of the 18th. This was also the coldest temperature we had all year, tying the same temp. on February 17. The highest we had for 1973 was 95° in the shade directly under a red oak tree in our yard. This was for two days, August 29 & 30. The main work is cutting wood and hauling manure. Many farmers are harvesting their wood lots by selling fire wood, which brings anywhere from \$40 to \$60 a cord. The year was a record breaker for heavy yields in corn; hay and grain was only fair. Feed prices are very high, as are farm products, too.

St. Mary's County, Md., by Amos R. Stoltzfus

December seemed more like winter than the last two winters. We had three different snows, two in December. One on the 11th, then the 16th & 17th, it snowed with sleet in the night, totaled around 6 to 8 inches, and temperature at 10° the next morning. We had excellent sleighing roads, which hadn't happened for a long time. December 21 it rained 2 in. then turned to snow and snowed all afternoon. Another rainy day was Dec. 31, and that night it rained several inches. The New Year came in damp. The comet has not been sighted here yet to my knowledge, but we are looking forward to the spectacle.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 4.7 inches, some snow the week of the 17th with roads closed for a short time.

Market Report: Fat Cattle, \$40 to \$46 Cwt.; Feeders, \$40 to \$55 Cwt.; Veal, \$50 to \$87 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, \$42 to 47.75 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, .80 to .90 lb.; Dairy Cows at New Holland, \$500 to \$900 a head; Eggs, large, .74 doz., med., .73 doz.; Capons, .49 lb.; Ducks, .50 lb.; Turkeys, .52 lb.; Hay, \$35 to \$85 Ton; Straw, \$45 Ton; Ear Corn, \$61 Ton, 2.83 Bu.; Wheat, 5.25 Bu.; Barley, 2.15 Bu.; Oats, 1.50 Bu.; Potatoes, 6.50 to 7.00 Cwt.; Milk, 9.00 Cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

December started in with 35 degree temperature. Meadows and lawns are nice and green yet. Farmers were plowing till Dec. 15th. Sunday, the 16th, it started snowing and by Tuesday the side roads were drifted. The 18th it was 15 above zero and windy. Sleds were used on roads for four days, more sledding than we had for a few years. Friday, the 21st, we had 3.2 inches rain turning to snow in the p.m. and very windy, just enough snow to make ground nice and white. The morning of 21st temperature was 50 degrees, till evening was in the high 20's.

Bradford County, Pa., by Clemens Nissley

We had a mild December, with light snows and rains the first part of the month. On the 17 it snowed all day from the north, leaving 6 to 8 inches, with some drifts. Then it got colder the morning of the 19th, it was 10 below zero, the coldest of the month. We had a white Christmas with good sleighing even on hard roads. It warmed up and rained the 26th. We have a little snow now. Farmers are busy hauling manure, cutting wood, and butchering.

Lebanon County, Pa., by Levi S. King

Rainfall for December was 7 inches, bringing the total for the year up to 55 inches. About 16 in. of snow for the year, of which most fell the last two weeks in December. A lot of chilly and damp weather for the month. The ground wasn't frozen much yet, as there was snow which covered it when we had a few cold snaps. If people would be as good in predicting weather as some of God's other creatures are, it would indicate a long, hard winter, as you see piles of firewood stacked beside houses where they never had any before.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

We had some mild weather the first half of the month of December, but winter finally arrived. On the 17th, we had a blizzard, about 10 in. of snow plus high winds. School children had a problem to get home. No school on Tuesday, the 18th, then on Fri. the 21st we had another storm, about 6-8 inches of snow and high winds again. Schools dismissed at noon, Christmas program was cancelled. Rain and sleet over Christmas, warmer at the end of the month.

NOTICE - Due to lack of space some reports had to be shortened and others omitted. In 1974 we plan to add more pages to THE DIARY thus making room for all the reports.

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Adams County, Pa., by Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

The last month of the year had the first measurable snowfall, with about 8 inches or more of snow. Dec. 16 it snowed and blew. Snow plows were slow in getting out, and state and township roads were in good shape for sleighing for several days.

Path Valley, Pa., by Daniel Z. Beiler

This has been a mild winter so far. Plenty of rain. Snow the week of the 10th, which drifted some. About eight inches is the most snow we had at one time. The coldest temperature was around 10°. This is the time of year when farmers have lots of chores, and there is almost always manure to haul and repair work to be done.

Union County (Winfield), Pa., by Mrs. David L. Yoder

December came in real nice but cold, then a few days of rain, not much snow yet. Men folks are busy cutting wood, hauling manure, and carpentering. The women are busy sewing, canning meat, etc.

Juniata County, Pa., by David Y. Renno

The weather during December has been mostly wet, cloudy, and cold. About 10 in. snow on the 17th followed by heavy rains. Total precipitation for the month was nearly 7 inches, which is 4 in. above normal. Total for the year was 44½ inches, or 7½ in. above normal for the year. Total snowfall for the season was 15 inches. Except for the first week there was no plowing done in December, and it is often too soft to haul manure. Ground is very full of water, and creeks and springs are strong.

Snyder County, Pa., by Katie A. Speicher

The first half of December was ideal weather for farmers and deer hunters. Excitement for deer hunters was to see a white deer! Ground was not covered with snow until Dec. 17. Then we had from 10 to 12 in. Public schools were closed one day. Rainy weather in last part of the month. Snow almost all gone by the end of the month.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

December started out with very nice weather. It was a little on the cold side, 18 to 20 degrees in the morning. On the fifth it rained most of the day. From then until the 17th we had a lot of cloudy weather, with sleet and snow flurries. One Dec. 17 we had our first big snow for the season, about 8 or 10 inches. Quite a bit of that left with a rain on the 20th, but we had 6 more inches of snow on the 21st. Then it cleared off and stayed nice the rest of the month. Farmers were plowing some the first few days of the month. Milk price for November was \$8.72 for 3.5 test, 38% concentrate was \$194 per ton.

Mifflin County, Pa., by Catherine Swarey

December started in with beautiful, warm, and sunny days in the thirty's, with 1.7 inches of rain the first week. Fifteen cloudy days. Light snowfall on the 13th soon melted. Dec. 16 we had more snow, snowed all day Monday, December 17, four to six in. As it was windy, some roads were drifted and closed but soon opened again. Lowest temperature was 8 on Dec. 18, highest temperature in sixties on Dec. 5.



## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Somerset County, Pa., by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for December was very nice until Dec. 9 we had a heavy, wet snow but not deep, and had snow on the ground since, although it has mostly gone. Dec. 17 we had a small snowstorm, but not so severe. Coldest we had was about 12 degrees. Public schools had school every day although they left out early on the 17th. We had rain the Wed. after Christmas. It was cloudy and damp on Christmas but not cold.

Warren Co. (Sugar Grove), Pa., by Joe A. Byler

December started in nice with not much snow, although more rain than usual, had some nice warm days the first part. Hay can be bought for 50¢ per bale. Dairy cows are high, going up to, and over, \$700. Small calves have come down quite a bit the last month.

Ashtabula Co. (Orwell), Ohio, by Mrs. Albert Mast

Very changeable weather in December, rain and then colder for awhile, off and on like that all month, not much snow. We had a nice snow for Christmas, then it started raining and by night it was all gone.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The first week of December was exceptionally nice. The second week was colder with some snow. The third week more cold and some rain. The week of Christmas was very mild with some rain, and rain on Christmas Day and only a few specks of snow. The last few days had been in the teens and twenties and the last day of the month we find that 5 or 6 in. of snow had fallen through the night.

Ittica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

December has been rather warm some days, although we had a cold spell of about two weeks with a little snow. Mostly cloudy days with some rains. On the 26th we had a strong wind and quite a bit of thunder and lightning. Men folks are hauling manure when the ground permits. Oats are \$1.60 a bu., and corn is still \$2.40 a bu. Prices in grocery stores are still going up.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

Beautiful winter weather, lowest temperature for December was 18. Quite a bit of snow flurries, but not much snow on the ground. A lot of butchering has been done this month. It rained all day on the 20th, and turned to snow. It snowed and blew hard all day on the 21st. On Christmas Day it was rainy and sloppy. A cool damp air the last few days of this month.

Mio, Mich., by Melvin Gingerich

Cold, cold in Oscoda County this week, with temperatures close to zero. We have about 4 in. of snow. Two weeks ago we also had cold weather with temperatures reported to be 12 below zero, but it had warmed up over the Christmas holiday.

Adams County, Ind., by Mary Ann Hilty

The big weather news in December was, of course, the great amount of snow. After November in which there was practically no snow, December came up with a total of 27.2 inches, more snow than there has been in any one month in the 64 years of weather history in Berne. Figures for the month are as follows: High, 62 on the third, low 1° on the 22nd. Rainfall 3.94 in., snowfall 27.2 in. Five clear days, 13 partly cloudy, 13 cloudy days. There were 6 rainy days, no thunderstorms. 1973 year -- There were such oddities as: only .71 in. of rain in February, 9 in. snow in March, and then a temperature average in March - 8 degrees above normal, followed by 7 in. of snow in April. A cool May, and a dry September, with the first killing frost not coming until Nov. 5, and then climaxed by 27 in. of snow in December. Rainfall for the year was 39.80 in., the high was 95 on Sept. 2, rather late for the year's high. The low was 8 below zero on Feb. 17. Snowfall was a total of 49.4 in. for the year, 118 clear days, 173 partly cloudy, 74 cloudy days, 103 rainy days, and 27 thunderstorms.

Nappanee, Indiana, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

We had a variety of weather during December, rain, sleet, snow and a real northeastern blizzard. The first several weeks we had mostly cloudy days, with some rain and light snow flurries. Then the blizzard came on the 19th, lasting a day and a night. This area got 11 to 12 inches of snow while further south they got 14 inches. Schools and business places were closed on Thursday, some also on Friday as snow plows couldn't keep up. The next morning the sun came out and it was a beautiful sight to behold, drifts were piled in beautiful arches around buildings. Since then temperatures warmed up and melted a lot of snow. We had a rather mild Christmas and more rain since. The last several days of the year were very cold but sunny.

Daviess County, Indiana, by Lester Marner

We had a cold December with 8 inches of snow the 20th. Some roads were closed Dec. 21st, temperature of zero. Fuel is scarce, those who have wood stoves are glad. Milk, \$6.80 Cwt.; Hay, \$41 to 42.50; Feeder Pigs, \$33.00.

Trenton, Kentucky, by Willis J. Hostetler

Weather was mostly mild with some rain, it was 60 degrees on Christmas Day. We did have some cold weather though, but very little snow. Crops are all harvested. We had good crops in 1973.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

The ground remains well soaked. Farmers are hauling manure, cutting wood, etc. We had a few cold snaps, as low as 5 above on the 21st. We are experiencing the worst ice storm in 37 years. Electric and telephone lines are down, leaving a lot of people without heat or means of cooking. It was raining and sleeting for about 24 hours. Trees are bending over and limbs are breaking. Temperature predicted to go down to 15 tonight, Jan. 3rd.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

December 1st to 4th, rain and sunshine, about 2 in. rain and 2 days nice weather, then cooler and more rain. Dec. 16, zero with 2 in. snow; the 18th, more snow and wind; 20th, 10 below zero; 21st, 12 below with 6 in. of snow. No mail for three days. Dec. 23rd, moderating and thawing with some rain, snow was not all gone. December went out with wind and snow, the snow plows were busy the last day and the thermometer was at 10 above at sundown.

Benton County, Tenn., by Mrs. Joseph Coblentz

October was very pleasant, crops could be harvested mostly every day. We cooked sorghum every day after we started until we were finished, which is quite unusual. We had 20 acres and cooked for exactly 30 days. We missed one day on account of sickness in the family, but not because of too much rain or unpleasant weather conditions. I think they all got all of their sorghum harvested that had some out.

November was also pleasant and lots of corn, soybeans, etc. were harvested. We had more rain towards the end of the month. It was a very good year for farmers compared to last year, when a lot of crops were lost due to too much rain that they could not get into the fields. Through this area a lot of the farming land is bottom land, meaning it is low where creeks overflow and flood the land whenever much rain falls. However, it is good fertile soil and is generally drier than upland.

December has been more on the wet side and had about a week of continuous freezing temperatures, ranging from 24 to 40. About a week before Christmas we had several days of snow, but warmed up again and had rain over Christmas. It rained the biggest part of the first three days that week. As December is drawing to a close, we are again having cold with temperature right around freezing.

Reno County, Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

December temperatures were moderate, with a low of about 15. Several freezing rains made icy roads and a lot of power failures across the state. Our native elm and cottonwood trees break easily, so there were quite a few branches to pick up.

There is much talk of \$5 wheat but there was less than one day that the local markets paid that price. Very few farmers are getting their wheat sold for that price.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

December was an extreme month, mostly mild but also had one zero snap, the 20th. Then fair till the 30th, then a few inches snow and zero again. Grade C milk prices moved up to \$6.80 for 4%. Hogs are holding their own at 40 to 43¢; pigs at about 75¢; cattle prices still down.

Anabel, Mo., by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntrager

We got our first snow on Dec. 5, a tracking snow. We had around 12 over the 16th and some snow, then another 4 inches on Dec. 18-19. On the 30th we got from 6 to 8 in. of snow and below zero weather for the next few days. Our high was 67 on Dec. 2, and low was 4 below on Dec. 31.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

December in general was a fair month. We had a few light snows, enough for a good ground coverage. We had five mornings with zero or below. The coldest was on Dec. 31, with 18 below zero.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

We have had a nice winter so far, with about 6 inches of snow at the most. It has settled a lot the last while, as weather has been warmer. Temperature from 20 to 30, but we had several mornings with below zero.

Portage County, Wis., by Mrs. Levi J. Bontrager

Weather for the first half of December was mild with some snow. The 24th we had a freezing rain. We had a beautiful Christmas morning with a wet snow during the night, which made nice scenery with snow on trees, etc. On the 27th we again had a beautiful winter scene with nice clean snow clinging to branches and twigs. Over the weekend temperature dropped to 14 to 20 below zero, not much wind but it remained close to zero through the day. We have good sledding on most roads.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

December 4th our first snow came that stayed on the ground. During the rest of the month it was fair and mild. The week of Christmas we had some real nice snows with no wind. Christmas Day was exceptionally nice, trees and everything loaded with white snow. The last two days of the month the temperature dropped fast, going below zero. Butchering and wood cutting is the main work at present.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

Weather here in Wilton was about like an average Wisconsin December. We had five snows during the month, have around six inches on the level. We had a cold spell from the 8th to the 20th of from 24 to 2 above zero. It was warmer over Christmas with rain and sleet which made icy roads, also had fog and cloudy weather during Christmas week. It got cold during the last of the month, it was 16 below zero the 31st. Most of the crops are harvested. Work is mostly butchering and cutting wood. Milk for December was \$7.55 for a 3.5 test; ear corn, \$77 per ton (ground).

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock

On Dec. 22, 1972 the first ones moved here, now we have eleven families. Our son, William Schrock's, bought a 160 acre farm here and want to move till March. We have our own school, 24 schoolers, I haul some of my grandchildren to school. On Dec. 21st, day of their Christmas exchange, David L. Yoder's children's horse broke his leg on the way to school, they had to kill it.

We had a nice summer. Crops were good all around and gardens had just about the right amount rain and had nice fall weather with lots of sunshine. Temperatures in December were as high as 25 above zero but dropping down lower with the last two mornings down to 30 below, but nice sunshine, not windy, and about ten or twelve inches snow on the ground.



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Vernon County, Wis., by Amos U. Gingerich

The ground has been covered with snow for several weeks. A fresh snow fell the week of the 24th. Good roads for sledding. We had a warm spell over Christmas. The ponds were slushy, spoiling the skating which the men and boys were looking forward to. We had 12 below zero on Dec. 30, and 15 below on Dec. 31. Happy New Year, 1974!

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

December was mild and pleasant until the 10th it started snowing and got colder. Some plowing was still done until then. Some near zero weather followed but it warmed up and we had almost a foot of snow

the 19th. On Christmas Day it started raining and most of the snow went but it turned colder again and at the present we have about six inches of snow. The snow makes it ideal for tracking fox. The present price for a good fur is \$50.

Wroxeter, Ontario, by Mrs. Joni Miller

We had nice weather in December, some snow, a cold snap the middle of the month, down to zero, staying mostly 20 above until Christmas Day it started raining and freezing. It was very icy, we saw hardly any cars go. The next day temperature went up to 35, only patches of snow remained, but it started snowing again. Hogs and dairy cows are up right now, cows bringing from 600 to 1000 dollars.

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Continued from last month

## The 1693 Schism

This topic was pushed back until last, perhaps partly because it is not my heart's desire to write about splits (spalding) that have taken their toll in the history of our church. It is not a desirable subject to talk about, and less yet a comfortable topic to write about. A competent artist cannot only draw pictures of roses in full bloom, nor of a beautiful sunset, nor of a rainbow in the sky, he will sometime be caught in a drawing of a wild rocky shore driven by the storms of life. Both stand to remind us that such is the lot of mankind and the latter will oftentimes produce the best lesson. Jacob Amman was mentioned twice in our foregoing articles, so we already know that he was a subject in the Mennonite Church in France. He was a native of Switzerland, born in the Simme Valley near Thun in the canton of Bern. It is not known exactly when he migrated to the Alsace, but there he was ordained minister and bishop to the Mennonite Church, perhaps quite young. In his office he was very active; he was devout, strongminded and determined to uphold and maintain certain ordinances of the old Swiss Church, especially those that applied to the Dortrecht Confession, written and signed a century and one half before him (1632). Amman's teachings did bear hard on the doctrine pertaining to the avoidance of excommunicated persons, they should be shunned in natural as well as sacramental eating according to 1 Cor. 5 and maintained in later letters that this is the way the Apostle Paul taught the church. Menno Simon wrote about it the same way (see "Die Vollständigen Werke Menno Simons," page 175 and the old Anabaptist Church held it so according to the Articles of Faith (17th article). Why should they

change it now? Besides this ordinance he also taught feet washing at communion. He maintained that communion should be held twice a year instead of only once.

According to a letter of 1698 written by Ulrich Amman a man in prison was the instigator of the split, that this man openly announces that the one party chided the teachings of the other party whereupon Jacob Amman began to investigate. In the fall of 1693 he with his ministers and deacon visited the churches in the Ammanthal. He sent his deacon to ask Hans Reist (an older Bishop of the Swiss congregation) how he stood in avoidance of expelled members. Reist replied "That which enters the mouth is not sin" (Matt. 15:11). Afterwards Amman approached Reist himself and accused him of tolerating a reputed liar and had admitted her untruth, yet he did not expell her. To this he got no answer although he answered him in a letter later on saying that he would not adopt Amman's commandments concerning doctrines, not too much attention should be given to young men and women. In a letter of Oct. 3, 1693 written by Jacob Amman to the bishops and ministers of the Palatinate he accused Hans Reist for writing letters and circulating them to various congregations that they should not heed the teachings of Amman and in the same letter he accused the Reist party to beautify kind hearted people,<sup>1</sup> admitting them to the sheepfold, saying furthermore he did not receive an answer from Reist concerning this article, whereupon with counsel from his fellow ministers and a few brethren he expelled John Reist with other bishops and ministers of the Swiss valleys and in a letter he also expelled bishops and ministers in the Palatinate who opposed his teachings. This created an uneasy uproar from which resulted a separation in the entire European Mennonite body from Switzerland and even unto Holland.

Since it is unfair to quote from letters of one side only we will also give brief abstracts from other letters. A letter of Dec. 13, 1697 by John Naegly, and another letter by Rudolph Huszer and a third by Peter Lehman we find that they bitterly accused Jacob Amman of setting man made laws in the church which they pronounced unscriptural and of going beyond his authority in expelling bishops and ministers without a unanimous council with the church, also of exposing extremely rash conduct towards his opponents in being determined, harsh, and sometimes enraged. In another letter there was a dispute about who should have possession of the meeting house in the Palatinate. Jacob Amman claimed to have the first right to it, but apparently the Mennonites gained possession of it.

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1. The kindhearted people Amman speaks about are wellknown from our German hymn books and prayer books as "Guthertzige Menschen." Although this group did not accept the full Articles of the Anabaptists nor live up to their creed, they often favored them by showing sympathy towards them at hearings and sometimes provided release from prison and helped them to escape.

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